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We're on our way!

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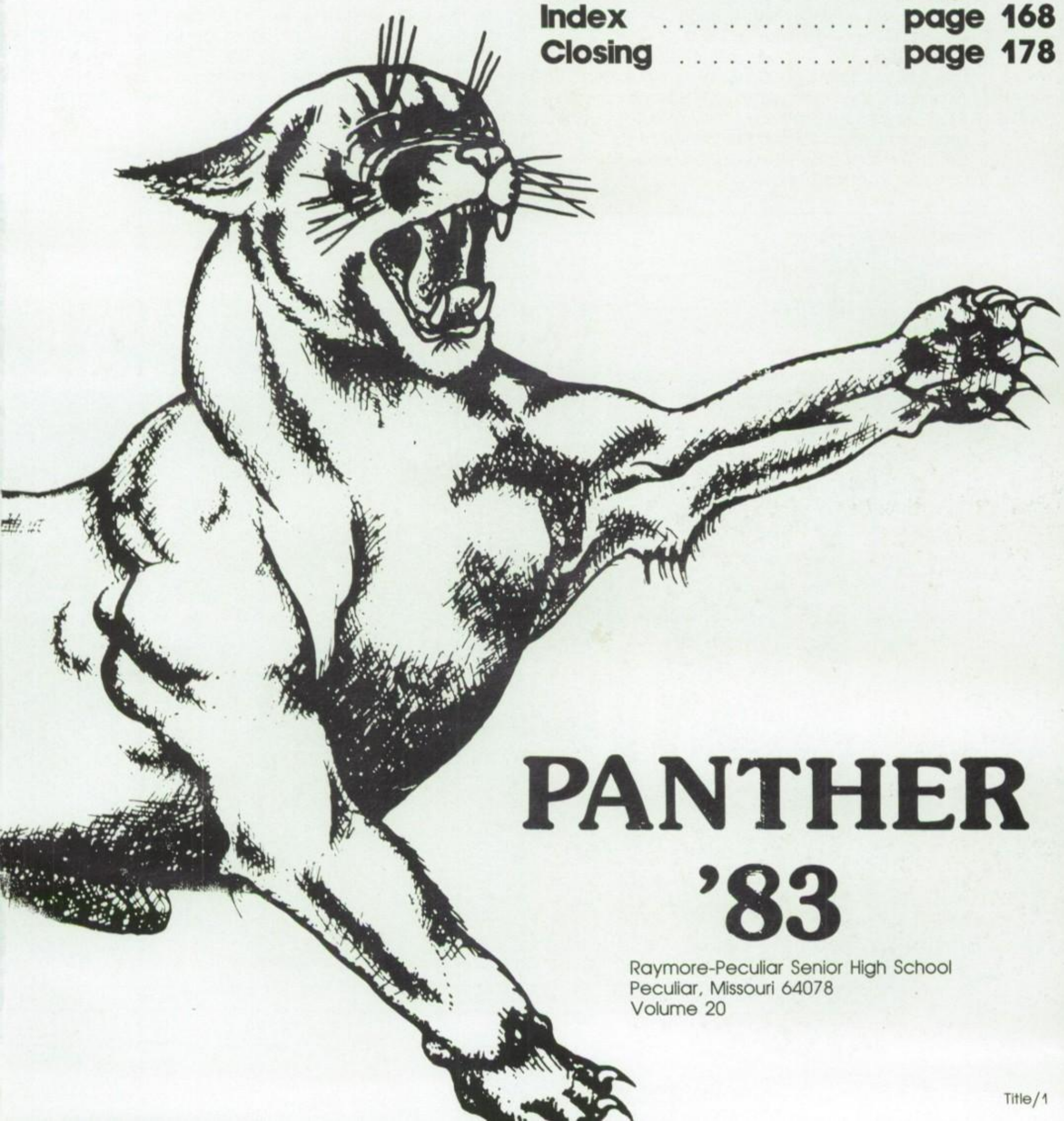

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We're on our way . . . .

to a rise in spirit!

As the year began, Ray-Pec experienced a new wave of spirit in classrooms as well as competition. It seemed that this was going to be the year for the Senior class to finally get it together and that the underclass would follow its lead.

This rise in spirit began when the Senior class won the first football pep assembly of the year. They continued their enthusiasm by participating in the mud pull at the Lyons Park. They won this event and received a trophy from the President of the Lyon's Club. The pull proved to be fun, and above all, a mess for all those involved!

As the year went on, the school rallied behind the fall sports teams as they pushed their way into State tournaments. The Volleyball and Cross Country teams took third at State, while the Football team went to district playoffs, once again defeated by O'Hara. There seemed to be a feeling of school spirit during all of these victories.

With all the spirit on the rise, Ray-Pec has now shown its true potential this year.

-Ann Maley

Kim Houghton and Joyce Vechneck carry the banner during the American Royal.

itney Wheeler, Lisa Bryan, Kim Johnson, and Susan Byram dress up the Go-Go's during Spirit Week.

During the State Volleyball games the crowds were always on their feet!

Jeff Mocker, clad in his sister's cheerleading uniform, participates in the Band's Halloween program during their halftime show.

Steve Kitson and Lesa Breshers dress up at the St. Pius game.

CONTEMPORARY COMPEN

The Dictionary

ADIDAS (a)-de-das)

shoes, shirts, shorts; "Varsity"

BAGGIES-(bageez)

girls pants, full at hips-tapered to ankles

"BOOK, LET'S"- (book,lets)

to leave quickly; (i.e. "Let's Book!!")

BOOTS-(boots)

a unisex shoe worn midcalf to the knee; cowboy

BOWS-(bos)

usually worn with plain or oxford shirt; preppy

BRAIDS-
(brads)

hair braided from scalp; sophisticated look

BREW-(broo)

beverages, a preppy slang word

CHEENOS-(chee-noz)

throw on pants; a cheaper pair; usually $15

CRUISE-(krooz)

drive around; to go somewhere; cruised; (i.e. "Let's Cruise!" see also Mac's

CULTURAL EXPERIENCE-

common definition used frequently by classes who need an acceptable excuse for a classroom party.

DESIGNER JEANS-(di-zin'r-jenz)

vogue, skin-tight pants with a blazing name

DOODLING- (dood'ling)

artistic endeavor prevalent in boring classes

HEAD BOBBERS-(hed-bob'ers)

an obnoxious ornament worn above the head

IZOD-(i'zod)

an expensive alligator representing status. constantly challenged by foxes and dogs.

JAM-(jam)

as in music; not something spread on toast

JOCKS- (jok's)

a nickname given to athletic-type Northman characterized by types of untied Nikes

KLEIN, CALVIN-(klin, kal-vin)

not regular jeans . . . these are Calvin Kleins!

LATER-(lat'er)

replaces the too formal "goodbye"

IUM OF CONFORMITY
Basic Trends

LEVIS- (le-vis)

acceptable, longwearing alternative to Calvins

MACS-(maks)

#1 hangout; kids cruise Mcdonalds; Big Macs, fries

"MAX, TO THE"-(maks-tu-the)

anything to its utmost; (i.e. "To the Max.")

MONOGRAMS-(mon'a-gram)

initials worn on crew neck sweaters and oxfords in block, ornate, or triangular styles

MUNCH-(munch)

to eat snack foods; munch out; munchies

NIKES-(ni-keez)

most popular and expensive of all around tennies

OXFORD-(oks-ford)

button down shirt; plain, yet preppy

PIERCED EARS, DOUBLE-(pirsd-irs)

ears pierced twice per lobe meeting current fad

PIG OUT-(pig-out)

to eat large quantities of food quickly

PUBLICATIONS STAFF-

20 dedicated staff members who put out a quality yearbook in between their coke breaks

RAYMORE-PECULIAR H.S.-

institution which emphasizes learning activities and a well rounded upbringing for grades 9-12

RAG-(rag)

to complain immensly; to rag; ragging

"REAL, ITS BEEN".

not said alone; accompanied by: "It's been real and its been fun, but it hasn't been real fun."

SENIORITIS (sen-yer-its)

a much deserved hyperactive disease striking seniors the week before graduation

TOPSIDERS-(top-sid'rs)

no socks should be worn with these preppy shoes, goes best with a pair of cheenos and an oxford

WHIMP-(hwim'p)

identified by buttoned up oxfords, highwaters; never an Izod, but a non-designer brand

"WOW, LIKE" (wow, lik')

An expression to express awesomeness or amazement

Fun in

Students share good times

The long awaited summer vacation is probably the most anticipated time of the year. Swimming, parties, camping, weekend trips to the lake, Worlds of Fun, summer jobs, and late nights . . . everynight; are just a few of the ways R-P students spent their summer vacations.

Many kids went to some sort of summer camp. The cheerleaders attended their annual spirit week, as did the Pom-Pon Squad, Football players, Basketballers, Wrestlers, and Journalists. Some even attended a 4-H or church camp. "I went to Boys State and it was the best week of my whole summer," stated Ron McKeown.

Worlds of Fun proved to be a still popular spot. This year Oceans of Fun was an addition to the park. With three waterslides. a wave pool, lagoon and adult bar it proved to be a great place on a sunny day. The theme here: Water!!

Most students felt that their summers were filled with good times to remember. — Lisa Bryan

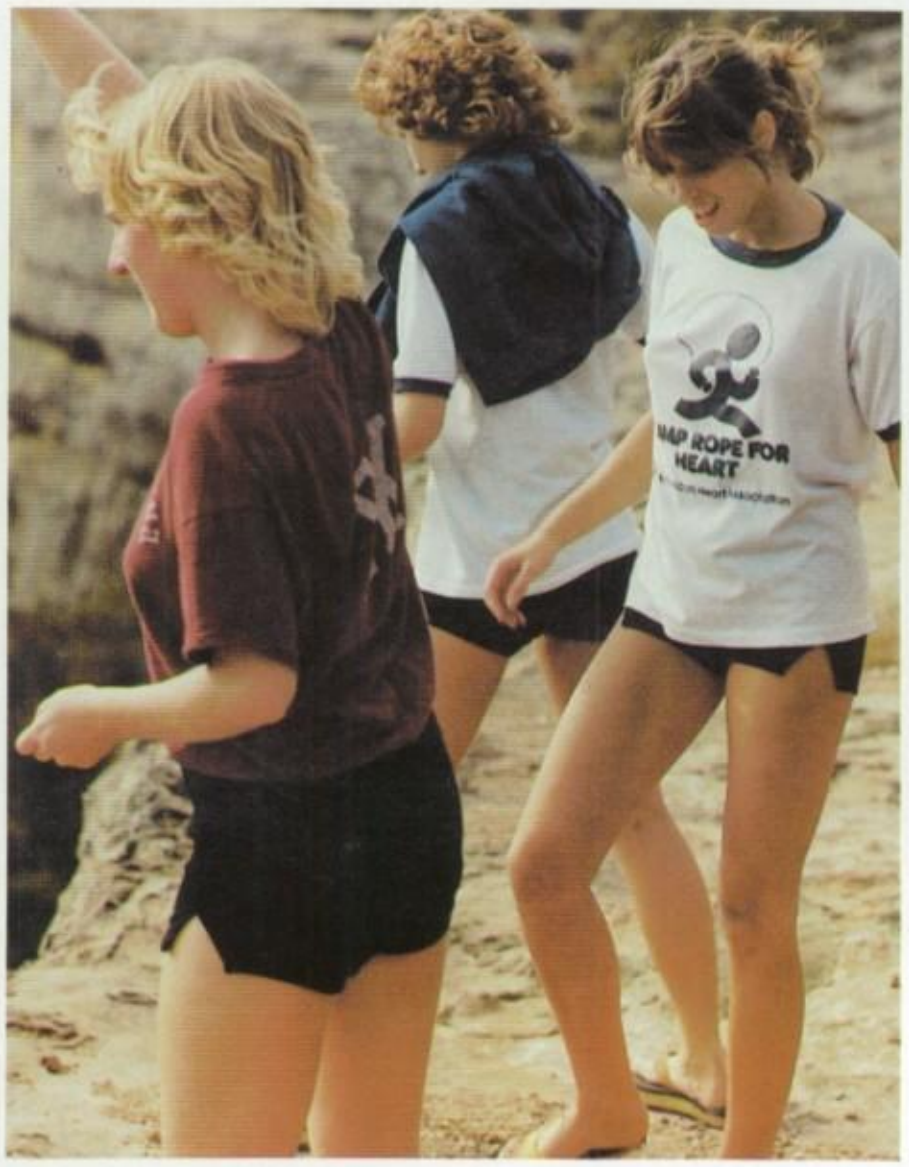
Oceans of Fun was a popular spot this year. Although it was too much

Sherri Guilford shows off her jet-ski talent

Kevin Bearden goes for a catch at Lak Stockton.

the sun

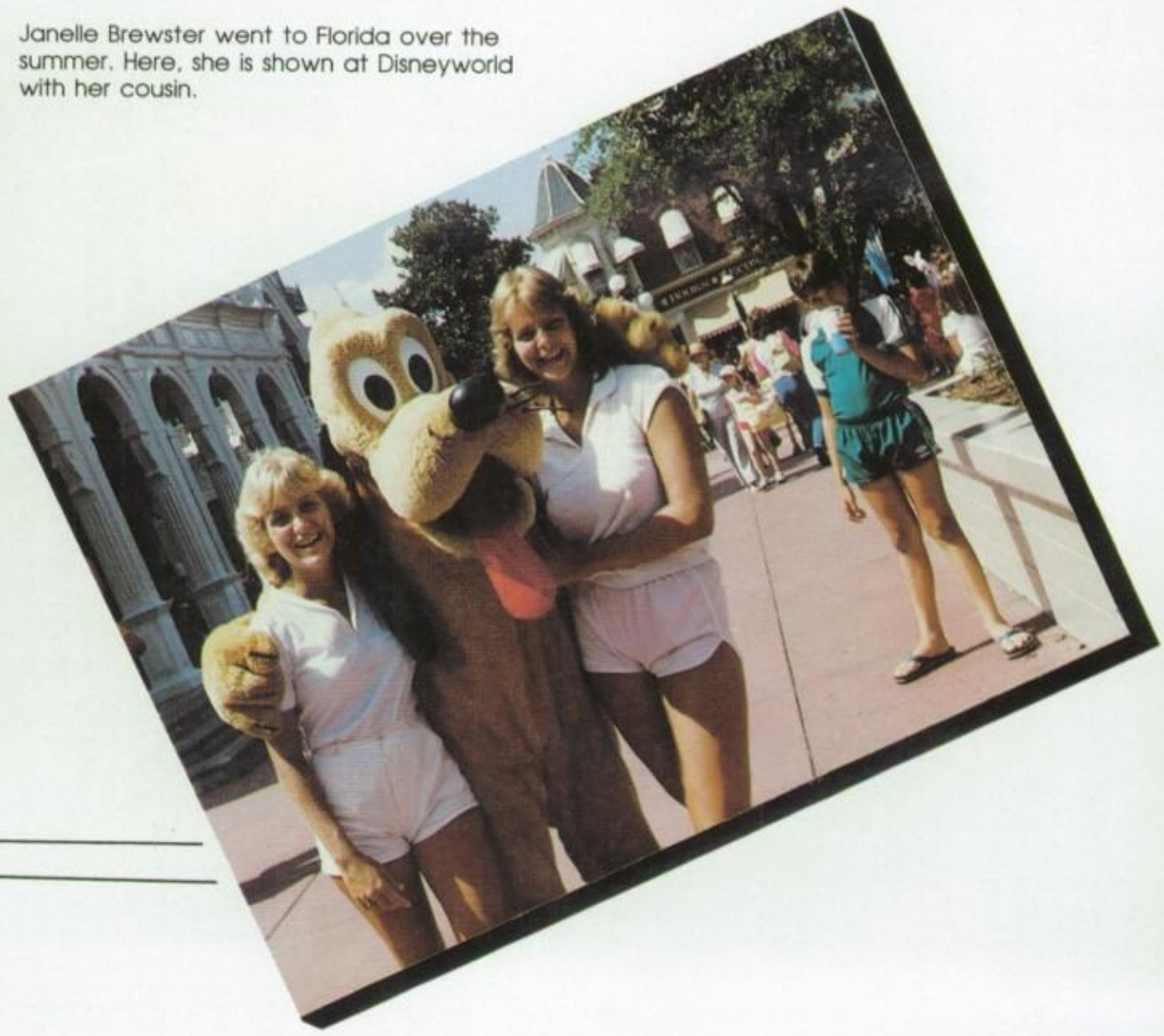
money, many students tried the new attraction sometime this summer.



The cheerleaders spent a weekend at Miss Higgins lakehouse in Osceola. Michelle Cox, Terri Sullivan, and Debbie Kibler are enjoying their stay.

Debbie Kibler "roughs it"!

Janelle Brewster went to Florida over the summer. Here, she is shown at Disneyworld with her cousin.



McDonald's most popular

Fast food restaurants have become the weekend hangout of many students at Ray-Pec.

McDonald's is the most popular of all the fast food restaurants, with Sonic running a close second, and then there's Hardee's and Dairy Queen which some students do not even know exist. With the opening of Taco Bell, McDonald's has found new competition.

On any given Friday night McDonald's can be found being overrun by Ray-Pec students. When not found eating Chicken McNuggets, R-P students can be found at either Pizza Hut or Godfather's.

When asked why students prefer to hang out at fast food restaurants, Shannon McWilliams commented, "I think they provide a good place for someone to be able to talk with their friends."

McDonald's is not only a place to eat, but is also a place to cruise. Konia Meyer, a Junior, commented, "I often get dizzy while going around and around McDonald's."

The students also have favorites. At McDonald's it's the Big Mac, Sonic is the Pork Fritter, Hardee's is the home of Hot Ham and Cheese and the Bacon Cheeseburger, and at Godfather's and Pizza Hut it's the Pepperoni Pizza.

The fast food invasion came to Belton four years ago with Hardee's leading the way. Sonic and Dairy Queen were here earlier, but weren't as popular as fast food chains are now.

It seems that more and more students are leaving the comforts of home and spending more time and money with their friends at the fast food restaurants. — Stephanie Stroup

Students from the Publication Staff purchased food

Stephanie Stroup and Cindy Bain are serving a Chicken McNugget to Jon Ament.

Publications ate the food purchased, leaving a mess.

Foods

from several fast food restaurants.

Panther royalty

Tina and Jon selected

"And the 1982-83 Panther King and Queen are ... Jon Ament and Tina Steinke!" announced Sharon Gentry at the appreciation breakfast for all the club sponsors. Being chosen for king or queen is a very high honor and Tina and Jon were both deserving.

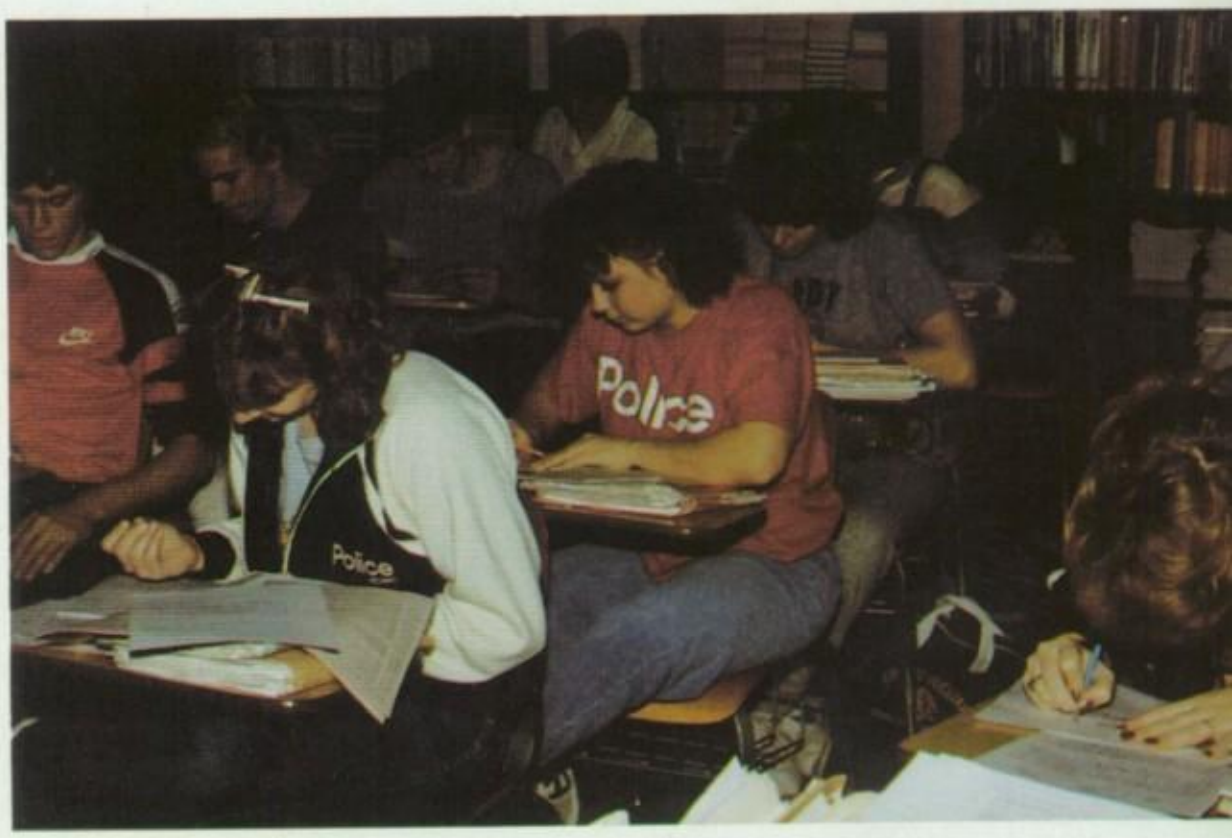
Tina Steinke, was elected our Senior class president. She has been very active in volleyball and basketball. She was involved active in Stu-Co. and is a member of National Honor Society.

Tina plans on attending Missouri Western or Northwest Mo. and majoring in business management. She enjoys going to athletic activities. doing homework and spending time with Terry.

Jon Ament was chosen for Panther King. We all know Jon for his infamous morning announcements. Elected Student Council President. He is also a member of NHS and associate editor of the Panther Times.

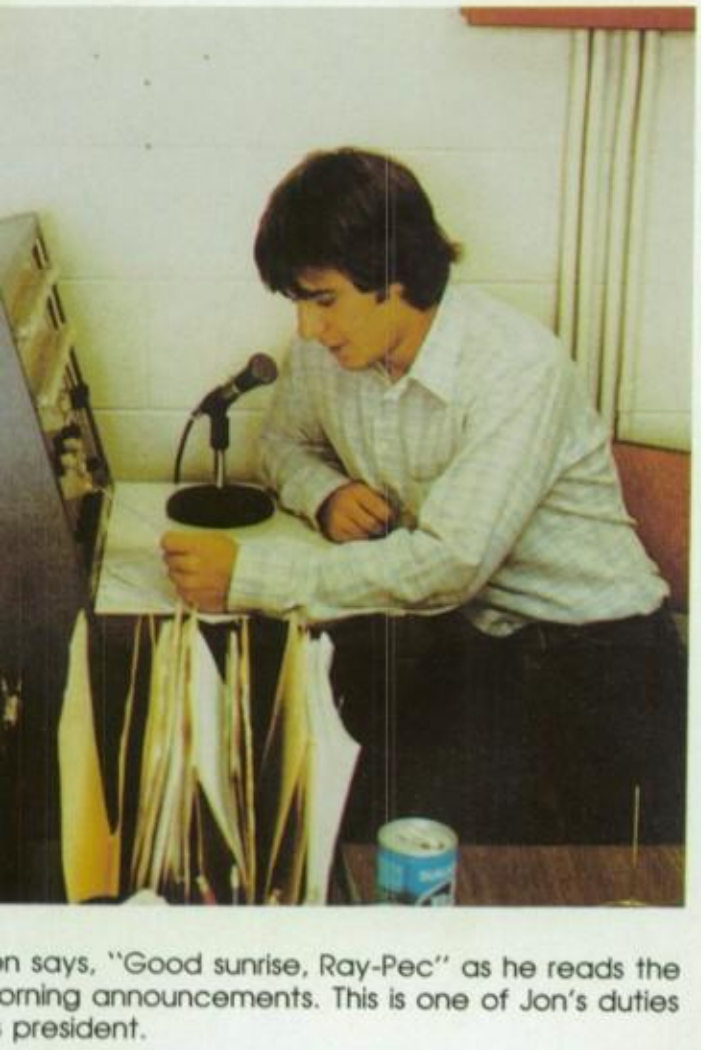
In his spare time Jon likes to be with his friends or go cruising in his Mustang. When asked how he felt about being chosen, he replied, "I feel really priviledged to receive such a high honor."-Lisa Bryan, Ann Maley

Jon confers with Jim Green about the Belton game. Jon is a two year letterman on the football team.

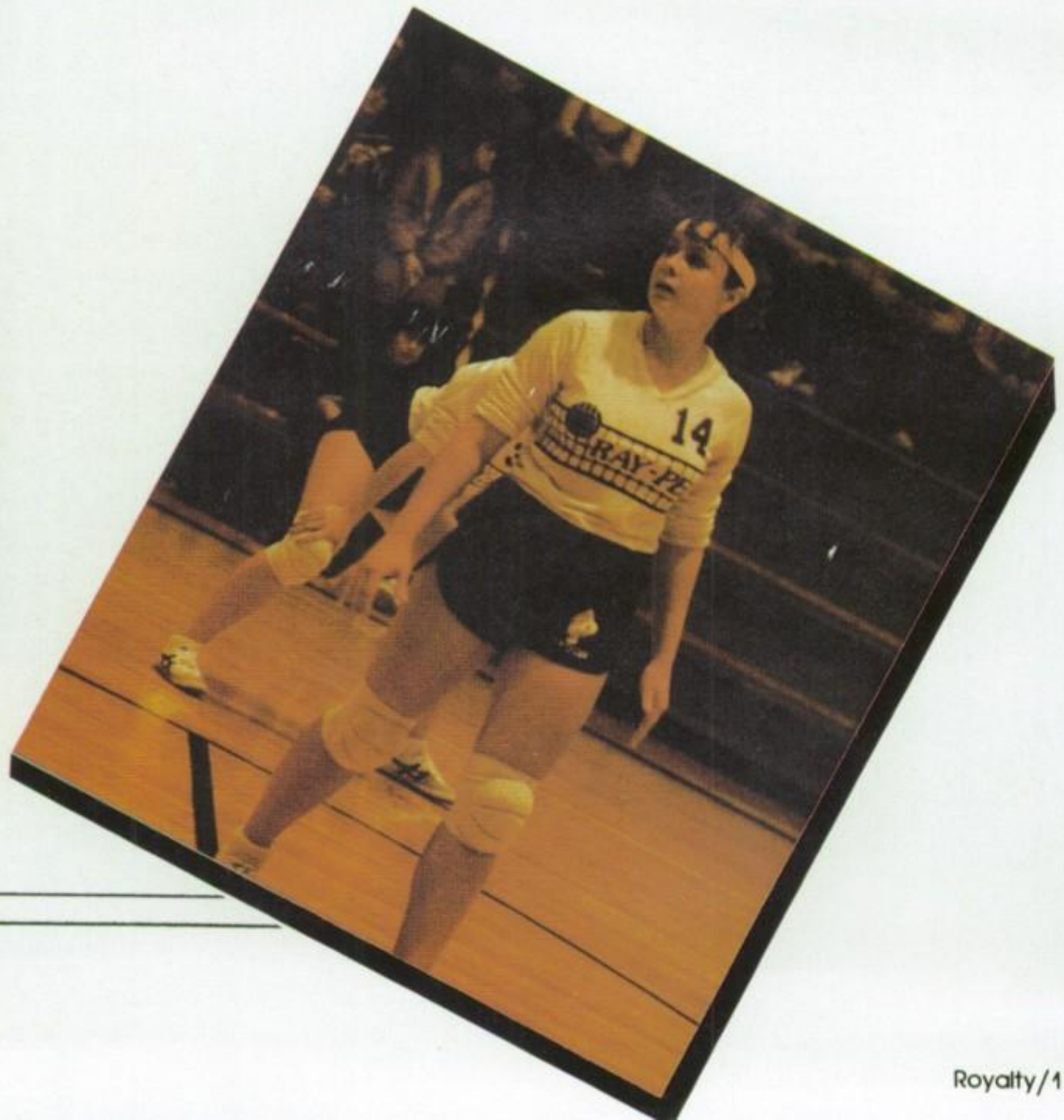


Tina works on college prep, she thinks this class will help prepare her for college.

Panther King and Queen, Jon Ament and Tina Steinke. Tina is president of the senior class while Jon is president of student council.



n says, "Good sunrise, Ray-Pec" as he reads the orning announcements. This is one of Jon's duties president.



na gets ready for the next serve. This year Tina as picked first team, all-conference.

Fads . . . .

Dingo, Frye, and Zodiac boots are the most popular in western fashion.

Pasely ties are the latest in preppie fashions.

Bruce Brown demonstrates an Atari video home computer at Computer World.

Nike and Adidas running shoes are the biggest sellers at the Foot Locker.

Smurf and Garfield stuffed animals have all but replac
the Teddy Bear.

. . . and Fashions

e Jordache look is an expensive one, $30-$40 at least.

y are also found on glasses, cartoons, postcards and cils.

Are students subjected to these trends?

Jordache, Calvin Klein, Polo, Izod, Nikes, Dingo Boots, Adidas, Puma's and monograms ..... Donkey Kong, Pac-Man, Atari, Smurfs, Garfields, Head Bobbers .... All of these were current trends or trendsetters in 1982-83. With the explosion of video games and Smurfs and the ever lingering Calvin Kleins and Adidas, most R-P students were subjected to these fads one way or another.

Many girls found the new "pasely" ties attractive on the ever-popular button-down. Although a bit expensive, $8-12, they were a great top-it-off asset to an outfit.

Who would have ever thought that a Ray-Pec guy would wear a crew neck sweater? Many do! In fact a good majority of guys are going preppy. Gordie Light, senior, said, "I don't think we are really trying to be "preppy," its just a stereotype name that people give to those who wear button-downs and Izods."

Status seems to be fading. People aren't really buying clothes just for the name anymore. Replacing their Sergio's are now Lee Riders and straight-legged Levis. The western look goes along with these jeans accompanied by the ruffley prarie skirts and expensive leather cowboy boots.

Home computer-a dream of the past is now a reality. Video centers are doubling. Arcades and games are everywhere. Is Pizza Hut really putting in a Space Invaders game in the men's bathroom? It seems Fun Factory is an endless mass of eighth graders with pocketfuls of tokens.

And what about those "collectables?" Garfields, Smurfs, Ziggy, Strawberry Shortcakes etc.. These little people seem to be all over! And are they cheap? No! Yet every card and gift shop has their own display of these creatures. Chris Collins collects Ziggy's, "Ziggy has personality." she explained.

In regards to all of the fads over the years they all have that one thing in common: Money! Everything you could possibly want is expensive these days. Economy and inflation doesn't really seem to be bothering everyone though because store and arcade owners aren't hurting for business. Just think, you may pay $6 for a Smurf toothbrush today, but years from now it may be worth double your money!

-Lisa Bryan

Arcades are still raking in the money; economy hasn't affected them much.

Rain postpones Homecoming

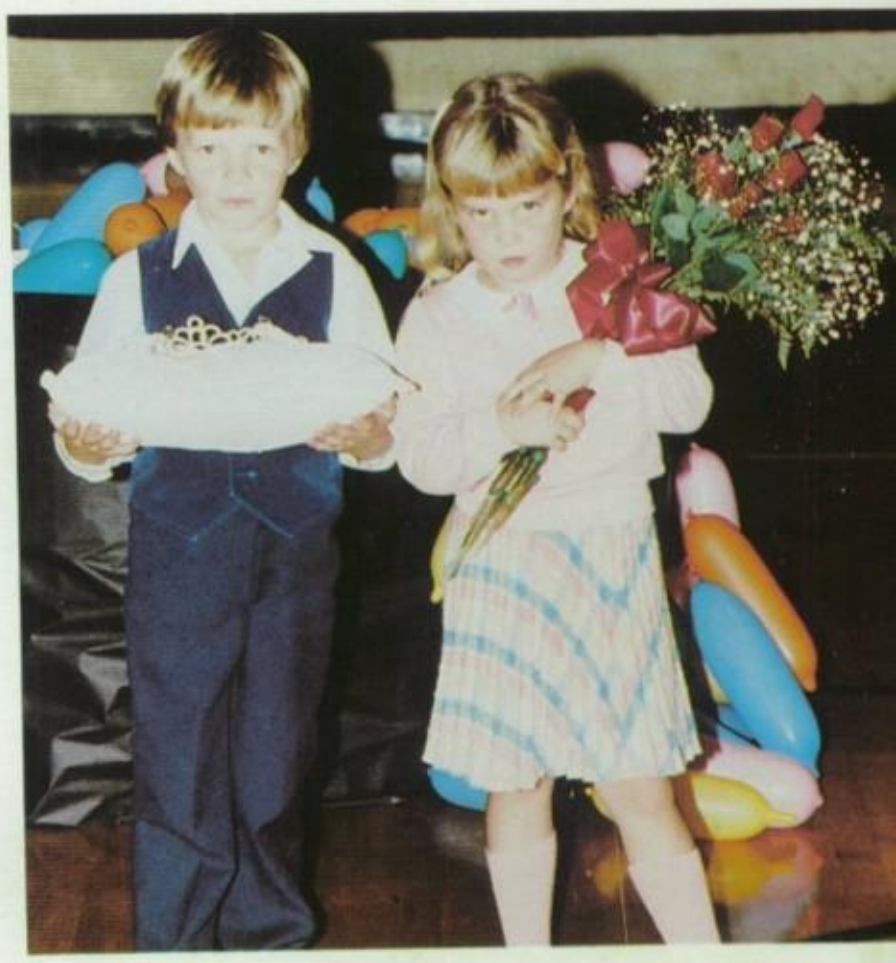
Tigers get washed out

Mother nature changed the order of Homecoming as tornado warnings and thunderstorms caused the game to be postponed until the following day. The dance and coronation, however, were still held on Friday night in the gym.

To some students it seemed odd to have a dance without the game before. "It seemed a little backward because we celebrated before we won," said senior Kevin Bearden.

The band "Zapper" played a variety of danceable rock tunes. Whitney Wheeler was crowned queen. Heather Raw and Jannelle Brewster were the senior attendants. The underclass attendants were Kris Barnes, junior; Tammy Vaters, sophomores; and Robin Rogers, freshman.

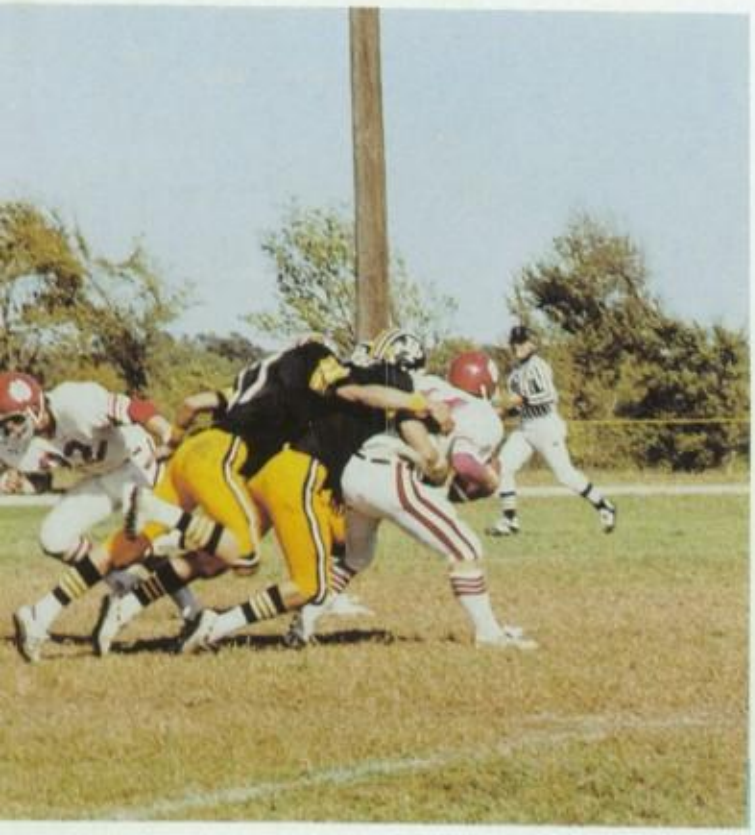
The Panthers beat Warrensburg 25-20. "I liked the idea of having the game on Saturday, I think we should do it more often," said senior Dana Calonge. The Panthers were ahead but then the Tigers made a last minute attempt to score. — Ann Maley



Drew and Kelly Davis carry the crown and flowers for the ceremony.

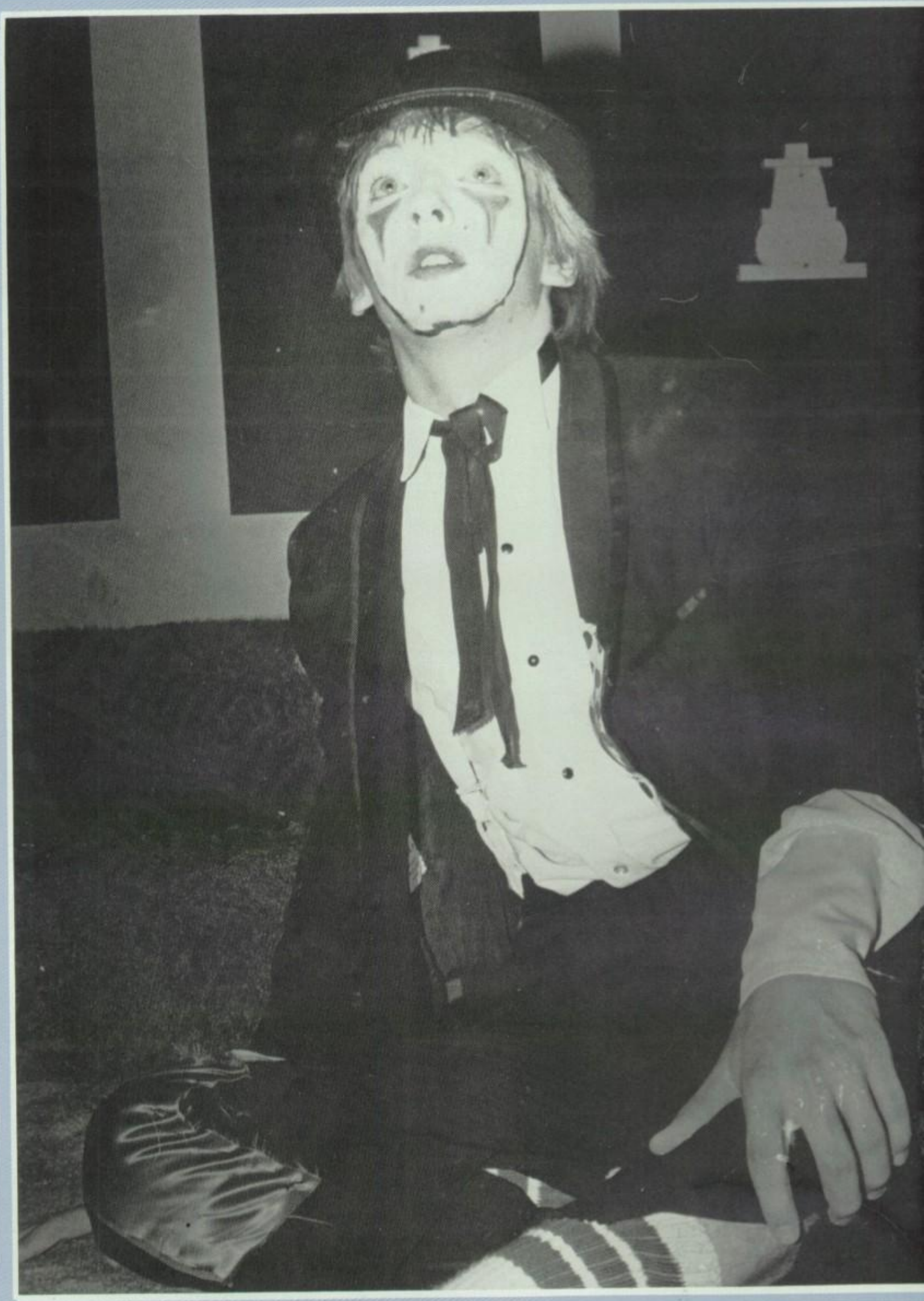
David Loney is tackled by Warrensburg as he receives the ball from quarterback, Jeff Ganaden.

Senior queen candidates Heather Raw and Janelle Brewster pose with this years' queen Whitney Wheeler and last year's queen Brenda Young.



e Watts and his teamate take down a Warrensburg
er.

Whitney smiles after being crowned.



STUDENT LIFE

There are several students in our school that participate in many different activities. They go out and perform many places throughout the year. These activities are a big part of our school.

The Drama & Forensic Squad travels to various schools throughout the year. Some of the schools include Raytown, Raytown South, Lee's Summit, Blue Springs, Warrensburg, O'Hara, St. Mary's, Harrisonville, Belton, and Sherwood.

Each year the Drama Club supports the school's effort to produce two plays, one in the fall and one in the spring. Members of the cast give teaser performances at local clubs and organizations, the two elementary schools and various high school classes.

Everyone that participates in Vocal Music activities works hard all year long, and goes a number of places such as Conference Choir at Warrensburg, District Choir at CMSU, and State Choir at Tan Tara. The Chamber Choir sang at Raymore Home Show Open House, Foxwood Springs, Thanksgiving Assembly, Peculiar Methodist Church, and many Christmas performances as well as the Christmas Concerts. The Concert Choir traveled to Kearney for Vocal Clinic. They had a Muisc Awards Banquet at the end of the year.

The State Band performs every year at Basketball games, Formal Concerts, and Community Concerts (Foxwood). The Marching Band performs at home football games, American Royal Parade and Raymore Homecoming Parade. The Concert Band plays at the Thanksgiving Concert, Christmas and Spring Concert, District and State Contest. —Debbie Speer

Performing is a part of student activities

George Gurnett contemplates, "Who can I turn to when nobody needs me?" a serious song in the play "Roar of the Greasepaint, Smell of the crowd."

Mary Strobl, Dorothy Strobl, Rosalyn Kirby, Rich Lindon, Sam Spencer and Kevin McCubbins must practice every day after school to get ready for the production. They are all members of Drama Club.

Many students spend part of their weekends working, as Carla Rein shows here while working at Show Biz.

Seniors Craig Lafferty and Tim Grossman take a break at Copper Mountain. Several Ray-Pec students have found skiing a great way to spend a winter weekend.

R-P teachers don't just grade papers on the weekends. Many can be found around Bannister Mall. Here Coach Terry Santone demonstrates his driving skills at Show Biz.

Bruce Brown chooses to spend a quiet evening at home with his Pizza Hut Pizza to Go.

For that special date, or just a nice way to spend an evening with friends, the Plaza still proves popular.

Yes, underclass do have a social life, as sophomores Danny Antrim and Shawn Jones show here at Bannister Mall.

Jon Ament proves that pinball machines are still around.

Weekends

Out on the town

As students spend all week in class, doing homework, or practicing for games or contests, one thought can usually be kept in mind, "What are we doing this weekend?"

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Some students start right out on Mondays deciding if they're going to Bannister Mall, the movies, or a Comets game. To others just being out away from home is essential, and McDonald's or pizza is satisfactory to them. While exactly what every student does is hard to say, a number of places seem to be favorite weekend spots.

Parties are always well attended, the problem though is that these can sometimes be pretty scarce. The Comets games are becoming more popular, but movies are still largely attended. Some students prefer to stay at the Bannister Mall or Bannister Square theatres, while others go for the buck movies. And for those "lucky" seniors who turned 18, there is always Pogo's and Maverick's.

With the increase in prices, many students have decided to stay home somewhat on the weekend. However, with the coming of cable to Raymore, this problem can sometimes seem pretty appealing.

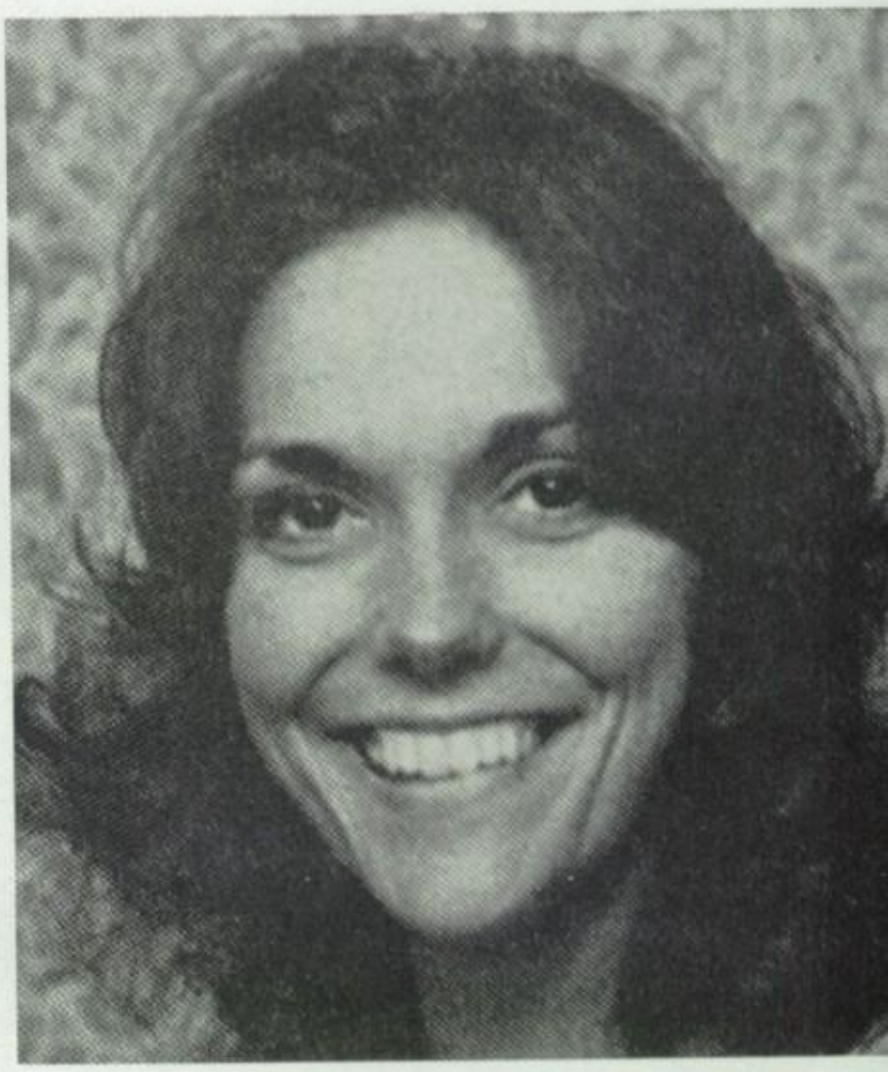
While speaking of weekends, who can forget to mention McDonald's? One could spend endless hours cruising around it, or sitting inside just waiting for "everyone" to be out.

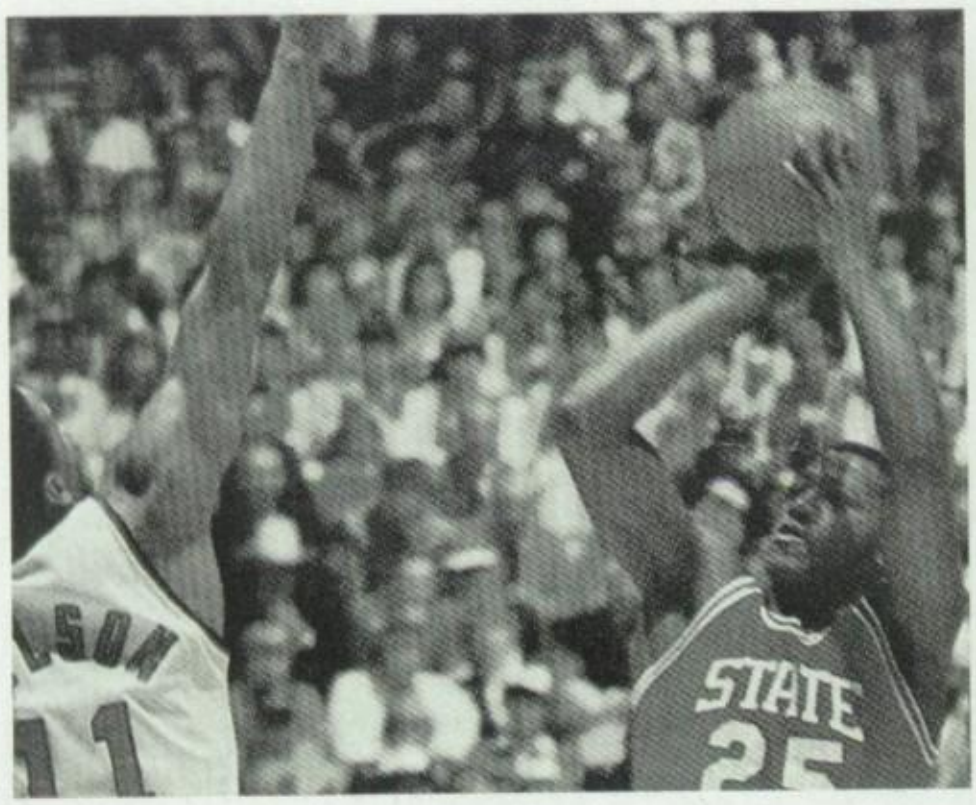
Whatever students do, whether it's a hot date, a party, cruising, or just staying home, the weekend can never be long enough. by Konia Meyer

Glimpses

1982 brought a new face to the Royal family, Prince William.

On February 4, 1983, Grammy Award winning singer Karen Carpenter died of a heart attack at age 32.





The Pack, North Carolina State University, surprised everyone when they upset teams like Virginia to win the NCAA tournament.

Raymond Chester went from Oakland to Oakland with the initiation of the USFL.

1983 brought to a finish the long running television series M*A*S*H, a show that was a constant top 10 finisher.

Rover, Ray-Pec's much loved school mascot, passed away this year of a heart attack.

Year in review

The 1982-83 school year was a year of ups and downs, as most years are. In the sights of world news we saw such things from the death of a Princess to the birth of a Prince.

Sports played a big part in the year. Pro football saw the first ever players strike in the sports history. Nearly half the season was missed, but they finished it off with one of the best Superbowls ever. Pro football also took a twist with the initiation of the new USFL. Getting players such as Hiesman trophy winner Herschel Walker got them off with a bang. The Chiefs fired Head Coach Marv Levy and hired John Macovich in hopes of a winning season. The Kansas City Kings just missed the playoffs, while the Comets made them in just their second season.

We all felt the deaths of such prominent people as Princess Grace, Arthur Godfrey, Bess Truman, Henry Fonda, Ingrid Bergman, Nick Civella, and Soviet Leader Leonid Brezhnev.

The 1982-83 year also was full of great movies and television shows. For a whole week in February, millions of Americans were glued to their television sets watching Herman Wouks "Winds of War". The end to M*A*S*H was also seen by millions in their two hour final episode in which the war finally ended and everyone went home. On the other side of the coin millions of moviegoers were paying money to go see such Box Office smashes as "E.T., The Extra-Terrestrial", Paul Newman in "The Verdict", Dustin Hoffman in "Tootsie", and the Oscar winning "Gahndi".

The year also saw the end to one of the worst recessions in our nations history. It saw a huge upswing in the stock market in which new records were set for eight straight days. It also saw the bombing of the American Embassy in Beirut, massive flooding in California, the Washington Monument bomb threat, and the finding of Dioxin contamination throughout Missouri.

1982-83, another year to remember.

— Bruce Brown

Curriculum improves; school changes

Have you ever heard your parents say, "I had to walk three miles in the snow, rain, and golf-ball size hail just to get to school?" Well, things are lots better for students today. There are more classes offered like aerobics, pottery, computers and even a piano class. This variety of classes is designed to broaden student's horizens. "Students should evaluate their classes each year." said Mr. Rankin. He said that they should try to build their skills and utilize the talents that they had.

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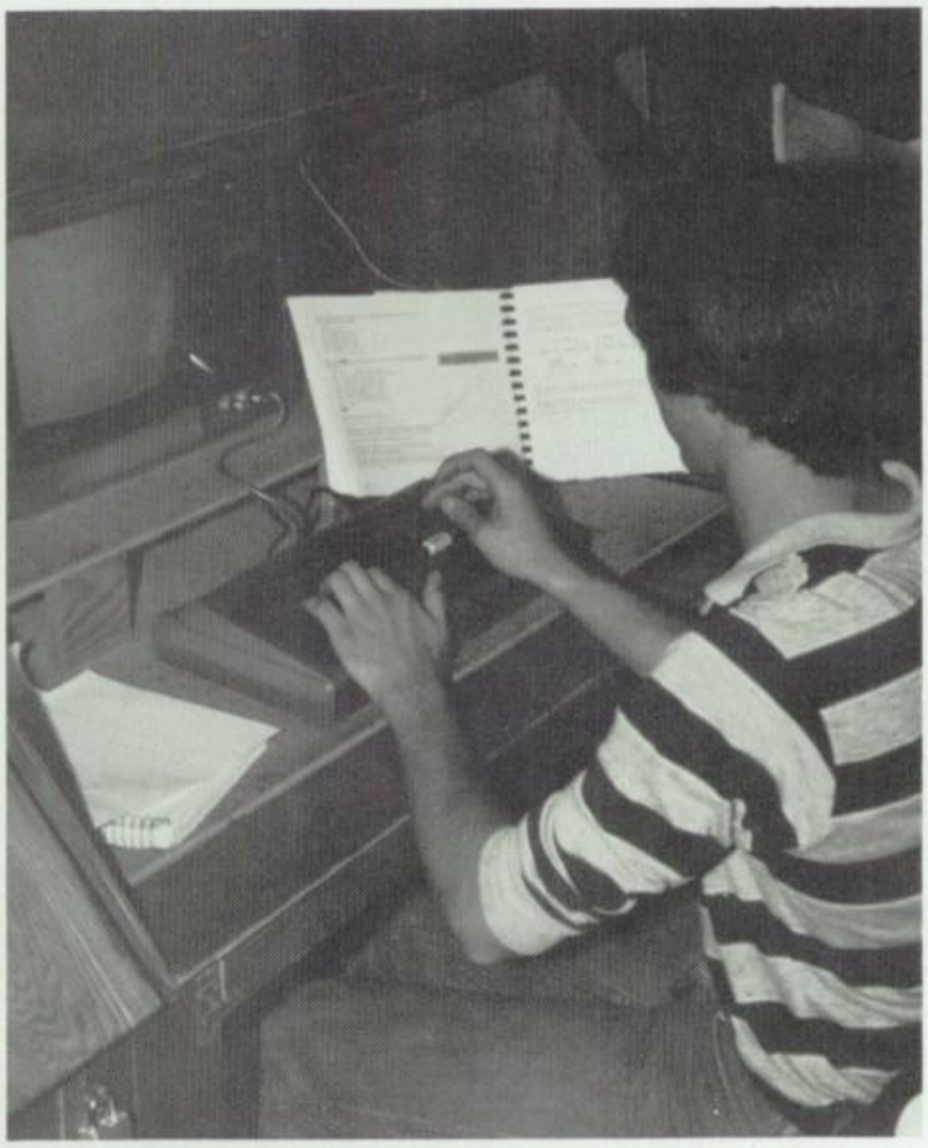
Although we try our best to forget, Academics is why we are here. Sometimes you get caught up in all of the activities both in and out of school and forget that you are here to get an education, well you try anyway. Whether you are planning on attending college after high school or just here to get that diploma, high school is free education and you should be taking advantage of it. -Ann Maley

The junior-senior hall after closing time. Although some sophomores locker here, it is dominated by upperclassmen who seem to control it.

Ms. Poppe, Mrs. Rogers, Mr. Gunter, Coach Clayton, Miss Jennison, Mr. Collins, Mr. Walton, Mrs. Lodes and Mrs. Lockart are some of the new teachers.

Rosalyn Kirby, Christy Kottenbrock, Scott Smith, Sonya Mansfield, Carl Nugent and Mike Hipton ride big yellow to school. Many students must resort to this method of getting to school each day.



Randy Oakley works on his program. This computer class teaches the basics of computer language on a TRS-80 Model I Level II computer.

Coach Clayton shows Nicole McLain, Stephanie Stroup, Paula Brown, Jannelle Brewster and other students aerobic dance', an intense exercise to music. The purpose of this form of dance is to improve cardio-vascular fitness.

Chris Hey, Randy Woodward, Cecila Iseman, Glenn Sanford and other students learn the basics of piano. "I never thought I could learn to play but it's not that hard," said Randy Woodward.

Snowball a winter wonderland

The dance started off slowly and without many people, but within an hour, the DJ from Sound Dynamics had the crowd up and going. The royalty was finally announced after the dance got underway. Jim Green and Lisa Bryan were chosen King and Queen. The court consisted of Juniors Roger Brattin and Mary Aldrich, sophomores Matt Ferrari and Sherri Guilford and Freshmen Jeff Pendagraft and Kristen Ament.

"A penny saved is a penny earned." Lisa Bryan

Reflecting back on the way the voting was done, Lisa Bryan chuckled saying, "A penny saved is a penny earned."

After the candidates were announced the dance got under way again. A new idea was tried as an air guitar contest was held. About 45 students participated and the crowd picked their two favorites. They were Bruce Brown and Jeff Beckett. After the playoff for the championship, Jeff was announced the winner on a contraversial judge's decision.

Students took time out from dancing to form a giant lap sit in the middle of the gym. Several hundred students got together and sat on each other's laps. This new trend was introduced by last year's student council. — Ann Maley

Eric Armatrout jams down.

Pennys count as one vote. Dollars count votes against. Many students felt this was unfair.

Daphne Speck and Eric Kleinsorge and Robin Rogers and David Crabtree seem to be enjoying the dance. "It was great," said Eric.

Lisa and Jim enjoy a few moments of glory after being crowned. "I was honored to be picked with someone like Lisa," said Jim.

Lisa Bryan is crowned by Lisa Reed and receives her roses. Martina Vogel said, "I was happy to be involved in this activity."

"Everyone seemed to enjoy Sound Dynamics, we were pleased with it." said Konia Meyer.

Courtwarming takes

Friday, February 18. This is a date that at least two students at Ray-Pec will never forget!

The evening started with the Panthers playing host to the fourth ranked team in the state, the Warrensburg Tigers. The Panthers played a poor game and lost to the Tigers, but that didn't seem to take away from the spirit of the evening.

Courtwarming week had been a long one, consisting of a spirit week and a pep-assembly to top it off on Friday. The voting for the King and Queen had taken place and the question in everyone's mind seemed to be, " Who would win?" The answer to that question came at halftime. The

"I was proud to be chosen queen." — Heather Raw

crowd silenced as Mr. Dave Arnall read off the list of candidates. Then came the announcement, "The 1982-83 Courtwarming King and Queen of Raymore-Peculiar High School are Mr. Mitch Meiron and Miss Heather Raw!" With smiles on their faces, they walked to the center of the gym to be crowned. The court consisted of juniors Mark Kahl and Chris Hey, Sophomores Shawn Jones and Julie Wheeler, and freshmen Shawn Crabtree and Tracey Buck.

After the game, the gym was cleared and the cheerleaders went to work. "Decorating the gym and getting ready that fast is hard", stated Stephanie Wheeler. Audio Entertainment arrived and set up their equipment. Mike Shortino, the DJ, played music that kept the crowd up and dancing the whole evening.

"I thought the dance was great and the DJ is a good idea because we get to hear the music that we want to hear," stated junior Brian Smith. The dance was a great end for a great Courtwarming week. — Bruce Brown

Courtwarming King Mitch Meiron kisses Queen Heather Raw after the crowning.

Sophomore José Calogne dances to the beat.

Soon to become a Ray-Pec tradition, several students show what it really means to "Get Down On It" by doing The Worm!

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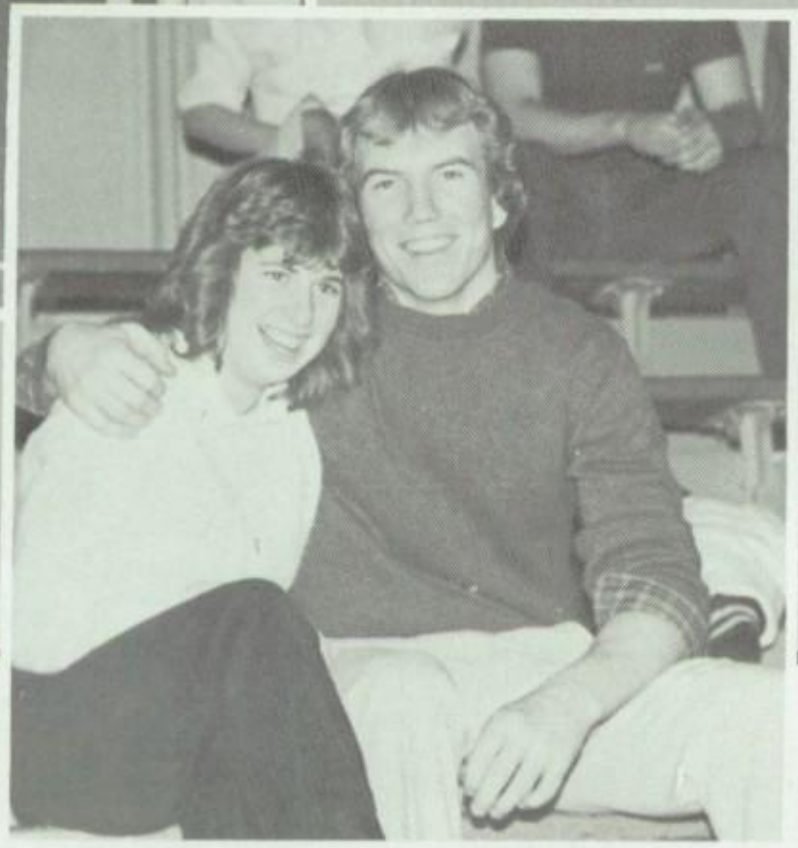
The cheerleaders and some extra help set the mood by decorating the gym.



Senior Ron McKeown and his date, Diane Olinger kick out the jams to the music of Audio Entertainment.

Mitch and Heather smile for the camera after their victory announcement.

Mike Shortino proved to be very popular at the dance, not only with his songs, but his humor.

Many teachers dress up for spirit week because it's the only time during the year that they can wear jeans or something casual. Ms. Clayton, Ms. Akins, Mr. McLain, and Ms. Higgins were found waiting outside for their morning cup of coffee on Pajama day.

Elizabeth Creel and Johnna Dean take a break from class to relax in front of their lockers on Pajama day.

Frankenstein, Jon Ament, obviously doesn't like his picture taken without his make-up on.

It takes all kinds

Senior football players get into their senior spirit during a pep assembly.

If you walk into the school, and it looks like the Addams Family is having a reunion, you know it must be spirit week. Although not everyone dresses for the occasion, you've always got the 33% who have the "spirit week crazies".

It's a great time to lift everyone's spirit." Teri Sullivan

Most spirit weeks have the usual days, such as: Preppie day, Cowboy and Prairie day, Hat and Button day, Dress up day, and Black, White, and Gold day. This year we had some new ones also, such as: Hawaii day, Beach Bum day, and Punk day. The classes compete to see who has the most people dressed up throughout the week. Then finally, on Friday, there is the pep assembly last hour. Everyone goes crazy, skits are performed, class chants, coaches give their pep talks, and the ceiling on the gym threatens to burst. The varsity game is played that night, and the Royalty crowned. The dance is held afterwards, everyone gets crazy and dances the night away. Then, just when you think you're getting into the spirit, spirit week is over. — Tina Barnard

Straight from the Great White North, George Gurnett and Kevin McCubbins dressed and acted like hoseheads on Twinkie day.

Scott York rides again on Cowboy and Prairie day which was a favorite among the students.

Senior Royalty

Homecoming Queen, Whitney Wheeler

Snowball King and Queen, Jim Green and Lisa Bryan

Courtwarming King and Queen, Mitch Mieron and Heather Raw

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Homecoming Queen
Whitney Wheeler

Snowball King and Queen
Jim Green and Lisa Bryan

Senior Attendants

ior Homecoming Attendants: Janelle Brewster and Heather Raw. Senior wball Attendants: Dale Barnes and Dana Ober, Brent York and Martina Vogel, Senior Courtwarming Attendants: Clint Harkrader and Pam Plunkett, Eric Slover and Deanna Reser.

The neat and elite

National Honor Society is a special and elite group of students specially chosen for their academic ability. To be chosen for NHS, the student must hold a grade point average of 8.5, and have 80 percent approval of the teachers. The teachers check for the following characteristics; leadership, scholarship, character, and service.

"I'm proud to be in NHS". Gina Ulsh

Then comes the Induction Ceremony. There you promise to be a faithful member of the NHS. At Christmas they went to the nursing homes at Eastgate in Peculiar and Foxwood in Raymore. They had an honor breakfast and tea. This event was for students who had made the honor roll 3 times. They sponsored a talent Gong Show, and everyone sold M&M's. With all their efforts, they made enough money to give $1,100 in scholarships to seniors.

Mike Buffon and Chuck Chaffin sing at the Gong Show.

Rhonda Landon, Sherri Jones, Mark Files, Whitney Wheeler, Pam Plunket, and Dana Ober wait for the induction ceremony to begin.

Explaining the foundations and purposes of National Honor Society at the induction ceremony are Student Council Representative, Craig Lafferty; Treasurer, Tracy Bourland; Secretary, Whitney Wheeler; and Vice-President, Pam Plunket.

Performing a dance routine to the Gong Show is Susan Byram. Susan performed to Michael Jackson's "Beat It".

Working out to Jane Fonda during the Gong Show were Jeff Beckett, Coach Barbaric, Randy Oakley, Bobby Mott, Terry DeVille, and Jeff Ganaden.

"We are Family" sings Crystal Huskey, Val Murray, Jocelyn Wills, and Lenise Huskey who appeared as Sister Sledge. First prize was awarded to Sister Sledge.

Stu-Co glows

Hard work and patience has paid off for Student Council this year. Goals of years past were finally met.

Stu-Co, after years of fund-raisers, contributed $550 to the school parking lot. A pay phone was restored in the school, and a juke box was placed in the cafeteria.

On the average, Stu-Co sponsored at least two activities per month. It sponsored the Sadie Hawkins and Snowball dances. Two slave days were held. A student could buy their boy/girlfriend and make them their slave for a day. They also held a paper drive which the seniors won.

Stu-Co also welcomed Mrs. Lockard, who became an advisor with Mr. Dooley.

Student Council officers are elected in the spring of the preceeding year. This allows the officers to attend a special Student Council camp so that they can learn how to run the council effectively. This also gives Student Council a jump on the new school year by planning summer activities and fund-raisers. Jon Ament was president with Lisa Reed as Vice-President. Secretary was Debbie Dobson, and Janelle Harkrader was Treasurer.-By Konia Meyer

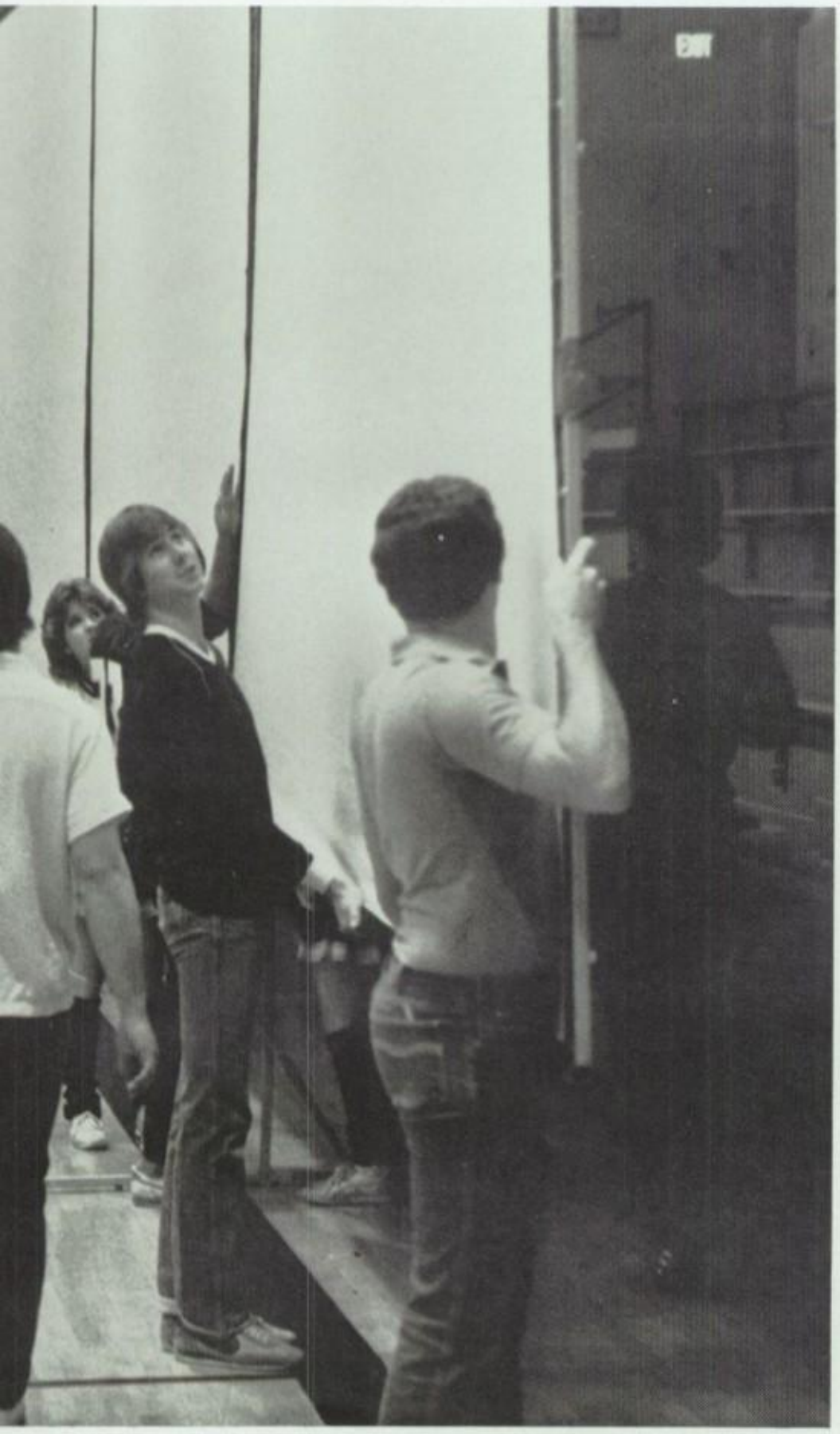
"Step in the right direction," says Jon

Other than fund-raisers and activities for the school, Stu-Co attended workshops and conferences. The club attended the district meeting in Warrensburg. It ran for District President, but lost to Booneville. Some members attended the state MASC (Missouri Association of Student Council) conference, where R-P ran for state secretary, and some members participated in Exchange Day. They went to other schools to learn about their student governments.

Membership increased this year as class and club presidents were allowed on the council. This nearly doubled the club's size.

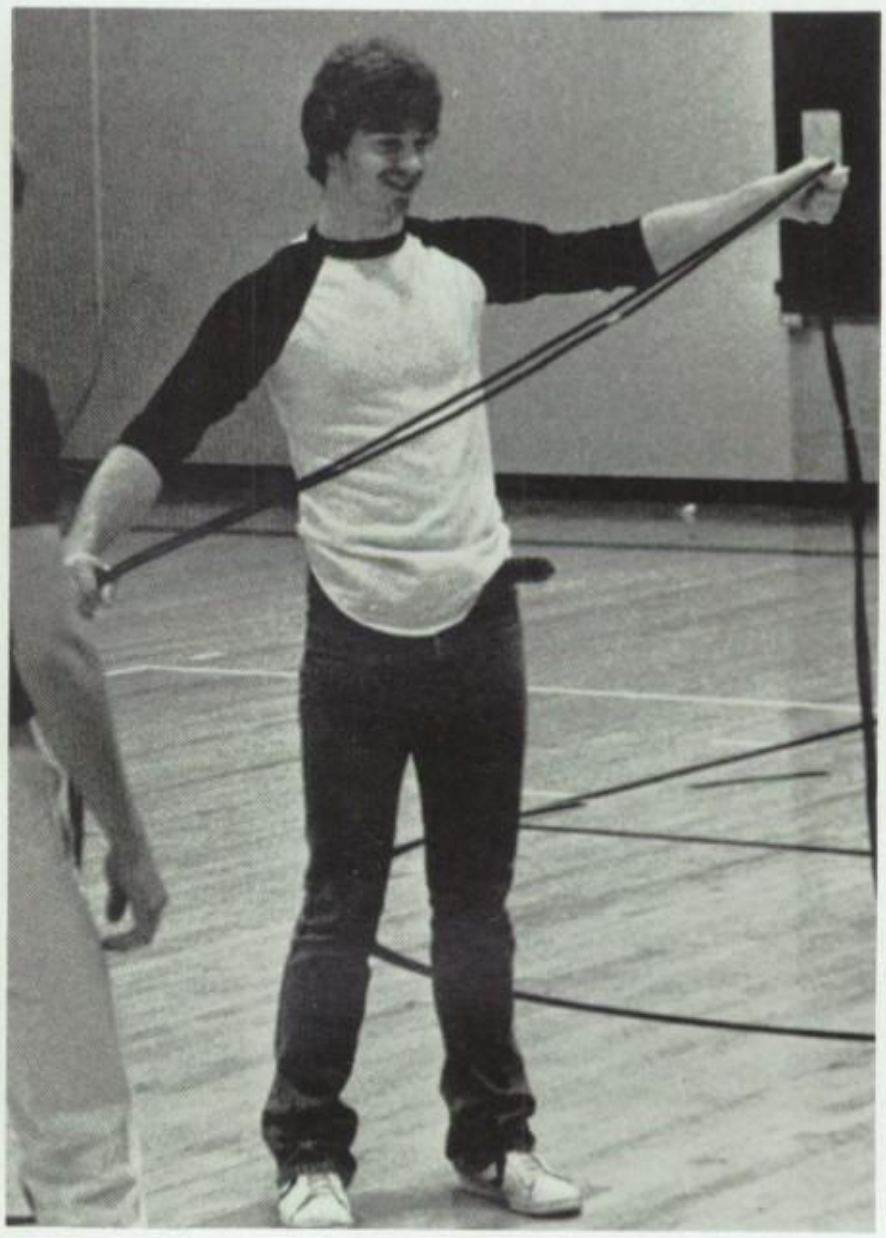
Lisa Reed and April Radtke take time out from decorating the gym lobby. Stu-Co sponsored the Snowball Dance in December.

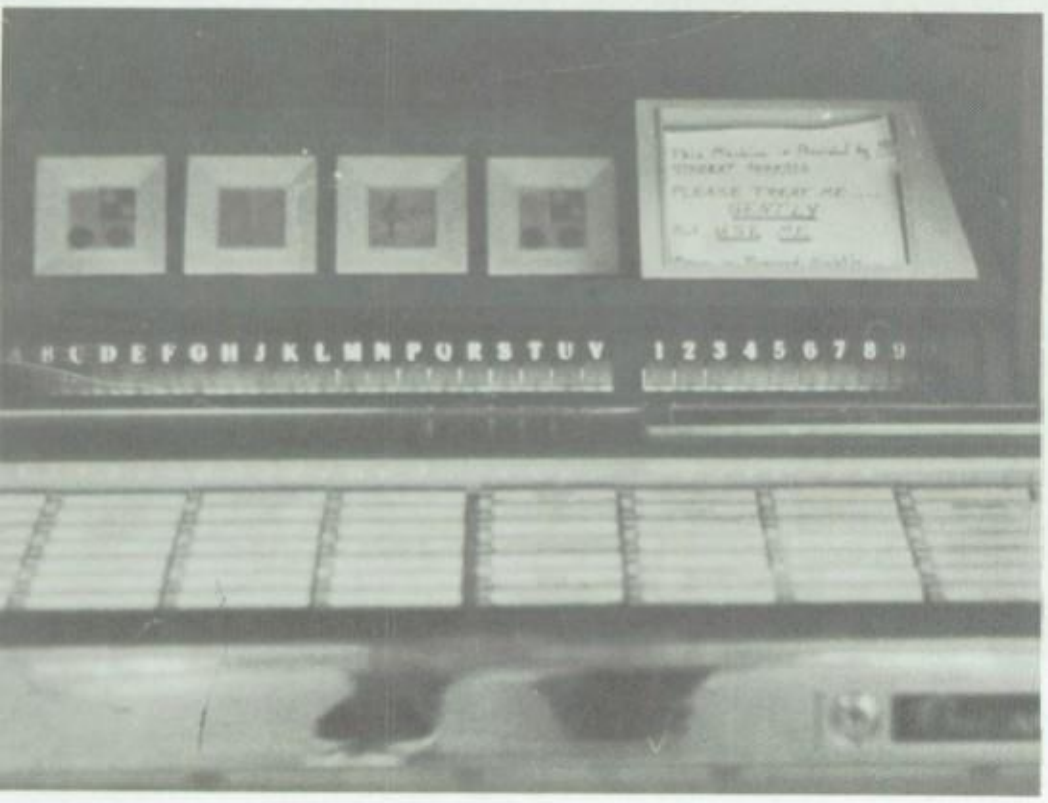
Russ Hammontree assists Stu-Co president, Jon Ament, with the launching of the balloon race held during Homecoming.



Students take down the set for a Multimedia production. The Camfel film "Stampede" was sponsored by Stu-Co.

Mike Campbell sets up for another student council presented assembly.





Placement of the juke box in the cafeteria was one of many successful projects Stu-Co attempted this year. The student body donated records to be played.

Art Club takes pride in what they do

Artists of Ray-Pec worked hard this year in getting enough money together to build a patio for lunch. Eleven clubs helped sponsor them in this project. Art Club sold roses and carnations during Sweetheart Week and contributed the money for the improvement of eating outdoors. "Improving our school is what it's all about," says John Brent.

Yes, improving the school is what it's all about. A few members painted a panther on the wall, outside the library, to brighten up the hall.

Christmas is a special time for many people, especially the Art Club members. They showed their talent by painting Christmas designs and scenes on class windows. Some of the designs included: Smurfs, Ziggy, E. T., Garfield, and Snoopy.

Forty students from Ray-Pec competed against 57 counties in the National Scholastic Art Show sponsored by Crown Center Shops. Four students: Lee Anna Davis, Shannon Dyer, Heather McDougal, and Verna Taylor, received a Certificate of Merit for ink drawings, mixed media, pastels, crayon, charcoal, and water color.

"Art Club appreciates dedication," Mrs. Akins.

Wendy Leonard paints her Christmas smurfs with style and flare.

Finally two great spirits meet on a Christmas window, E. T. and Santa Claus.

Painting our school emblem, "The Panther," to make more of a scenery is: Diana Greene, Bobby Mott, Eric Kleinsorge, and Darren Sargent. They worked one week on this project and received much gratitude from their fellow classmates.

Taking her time to do it right is Kim Kirk. Painting Christmas poinsettas can be harder than it looks. But this is the seasonal flower for Christmas time.

Kim Thiele and Marty Tierney seem to be having fun finishing a Christmas window.

Y.A.C.

YAC members know how it feels to feed a mad rush of kids five times a day.

Debbie Dobson and Ron Lininger show skill in filling the trays.

Craig Lafferty and Sarah Amerson enjoy doing dishes toget er.

Good year for YAC

Raymore-Peculiar enjoys the privilege of having the most active YAC in the state. Under the direction of School Food Service Director Colleen Johnston, YAC's main purpose is to involve students in the school lunch program. They achieve this goal by cooking and serving lunch about once a month. Club officers include President Steph Ellis, VP Ron Lininger, Sec/Trea. Tammy Knight, and Stu-Co Rep. April Radtke. In addition to these officers, there were two state officers, Bruce Brown, President, and Ron Lininger, Secretary.

The state of Missouri paid for the state officers to go a three day conference held in Van, Texas in November. While in Texas they attended meetings and came back with many ideas. They stayed on a ranch while in Texas and kept busy with many activities. They all agreed it was one of the best times they'd had. While in Texas, Bruce and Ron were elected as Midwest Region Chairman and Co-Chairman. Ron stated, There was no Competition!" Other YAC activities included a coupon book sale and Christmas ornaments sale to help raise money for the statewide conference held at the Stadium Club March 25.

— Bruce Brown

IAC: Biggest club in the school

"We're the biggest and the best club in the school." That's how Industrial Arts club sponser Mr. Dave Arnall feels. The industrial arts club is without a doubt the largest club at Raymore-Peculiar with 125 paid members. With any club, the most important way to be is to have money. IAC tackled this problem by selling clipboards which they made, and by selling brass. Their main money making project, however, is to rebuild and restore an old totaled Monte Carlo which was donated to them. They intend to sell the car at more then they paid to restore it. This project worked well in the past.

The industrial arts club has also been busy this year providing a large service to the school. They agreed to supply the labor if other clubs would donate money for the patio fund. Enough money was made and a patio was built outside the lunchroom for the students to eat on. Christy Cobb, club president said, "Everyone in the club doesn't mind putting out effort to put pride in our school."

— Bruce Brown

sty Cobb at the wheel of a bulldozer, as the patio is started.

At the ground breaking ceremony, Eric Kliensorge, Steve Tompkins, Wade Parker, Jeff Stroup and Christy Cobb take out the ground for the patio.

k Mather surveys the land in preparation of the patio.

Jeff Holtcamp helps with the cement of the patio.

FBLA members attended district FBLA contests at Sedalia in March. They are shown with their trophies.

Shannon McWilliams and Sherri Guilford serve Debbie Dobson at the Induction Ceremony.

Mrs. Chapman installs the new FBLA officers. She has been the club's advisor since it began in 80-81.

The 82-83 FBLA officers are: president, Konia Meyer; vice-president, Debbie Dobson; secretary, April Radtke; treasurer, Mike Finke; student council representative, Carla Rein; and historian, Tammy Turner.

Markie Hessefort receives her trophy for District contests. Markie was chairperson of the Exhibit team which placed 1st.

Joe Williams, Eugenia Ulsh, and April McCoy look over posters from the Poster Event at FBLA contests.

FBLA means business

FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) was the club for the business leaders of tomorrow. Students interested in or wishing to learn more about business could be in the club.

The induction and officer installation ceremony was held at the high school on October 28. Club membership nearly doubled from last year. Mike Finke, FBLA treasurer, said, "The doubling of membership shows optimistic goals." Mrs. Edna Chaffin appeared as the guest speaker.

"Doubling membership shows optimistic goals." Mike Finke

Throughout the year, the club had various means to raise money. The club sold candy and worked the concession stand. Also during "FBLA week" the club held a typeathon, raising about $175.00.

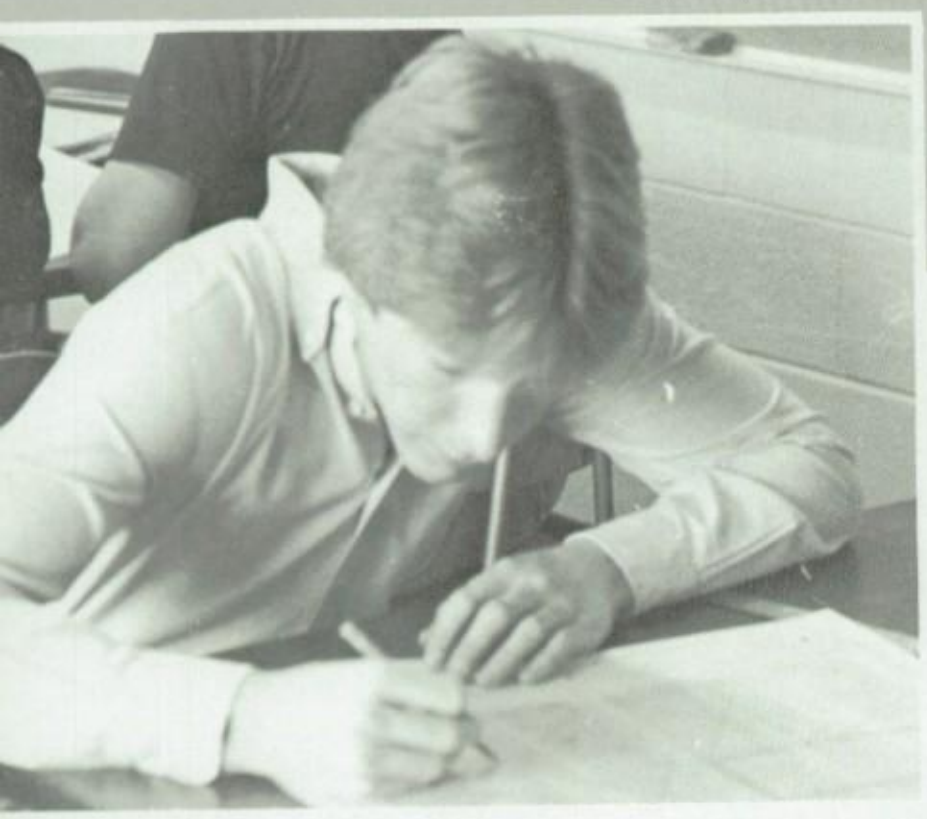
The club again held an "FBLA week" this year. Some of the special days were Blue and Gold Day (official FBLA colors), and Business Day (dress up). Also an FBLA tea was held.

A new idea which the club tried this year was "Career Day". Students found occupations which they might be interested in, and attended the job for a day. This was to observe and to see if this was an ideal job for them.

District Contests were held at Sedalia, March 12. First and second place winners advanced to state contests in Jefferson City. This year 11 people attended the State contests in April. Other Business contests were also attended later in the year.-by Konia Meyer

Lisa Bryan gives a speech at the Induction Ceremony as Carla Martin prepares to give hers.

Ron McKeown, Mary Gunter, Kevin Hartley, Randy Oakley, Debbie Speer, Tina Barnard, Ann Maley, Lisa Bryan, Dana Calonge, Crystal Huskey, Jackie Tangeman, Craig Lafferty, Shannon McWilliams, Stephanie Stroup, Lisa Schroer, Konia Meyer, Chris Collins and Advisor Sharon Gentry make up the staff.



Craig Lafferty with an award-winning cross country spread in the making.

Bruce Brown, Lisa Bryan, Dana Calonge and Randy Oakley at Happy Joe's Pizza in Topeka. After working together so closely, the staff is like a family as shown here.

Staff produces award-winner

Shannon McWilliams and Stephanie Stroup look through other books to get new ideas.

a Barnard and Lisa Schroer work to meet an early deadline.

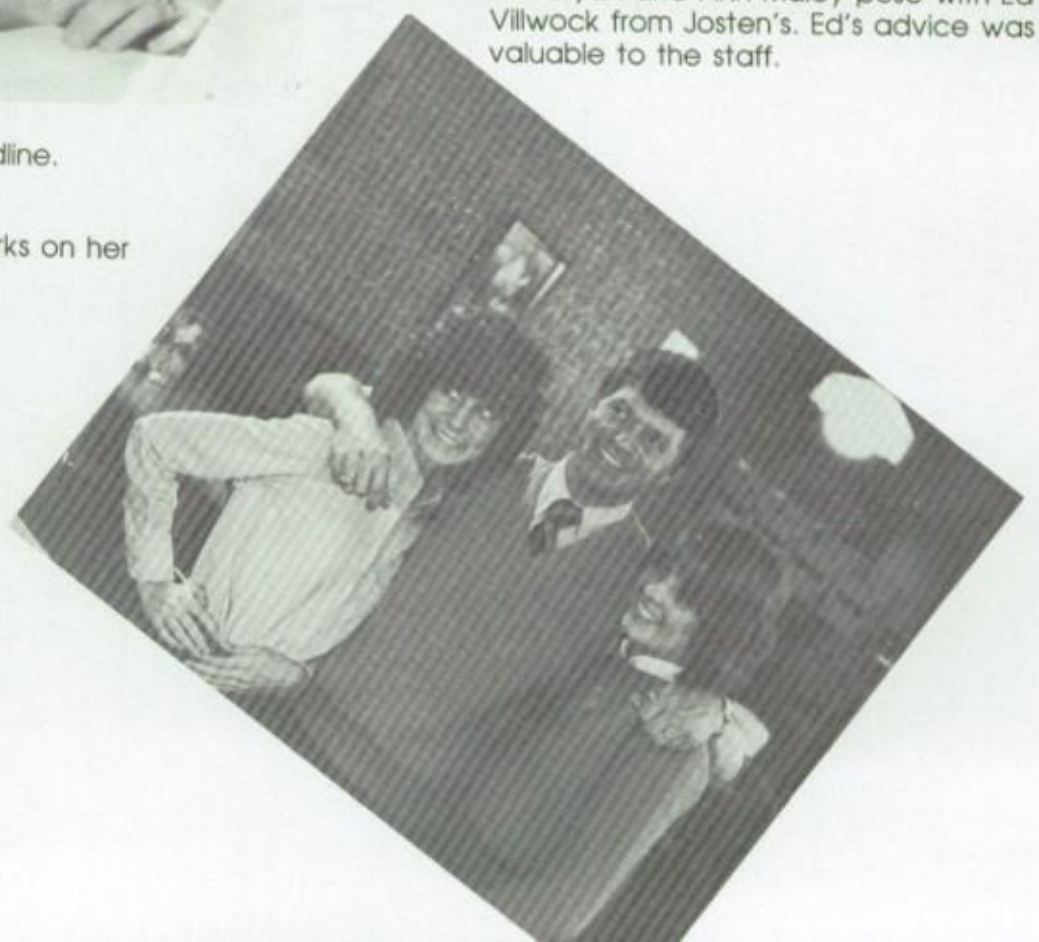
This year's publications staff worked hard to introduce new ideas to make an award-winning yearbook. They visited Josten's yearbook plant in Topeka and were then treated to pizza at Happy Joe's by Ed Villwock, the Josten's Representative.

Putting out a yearbook often seems a thankless job. It's hard to please everyone. "I never realized how much work it takes to put out a yearbook," said Konia Meyer.

"This year's staff is working hard for top quality." Mrs. Gentry

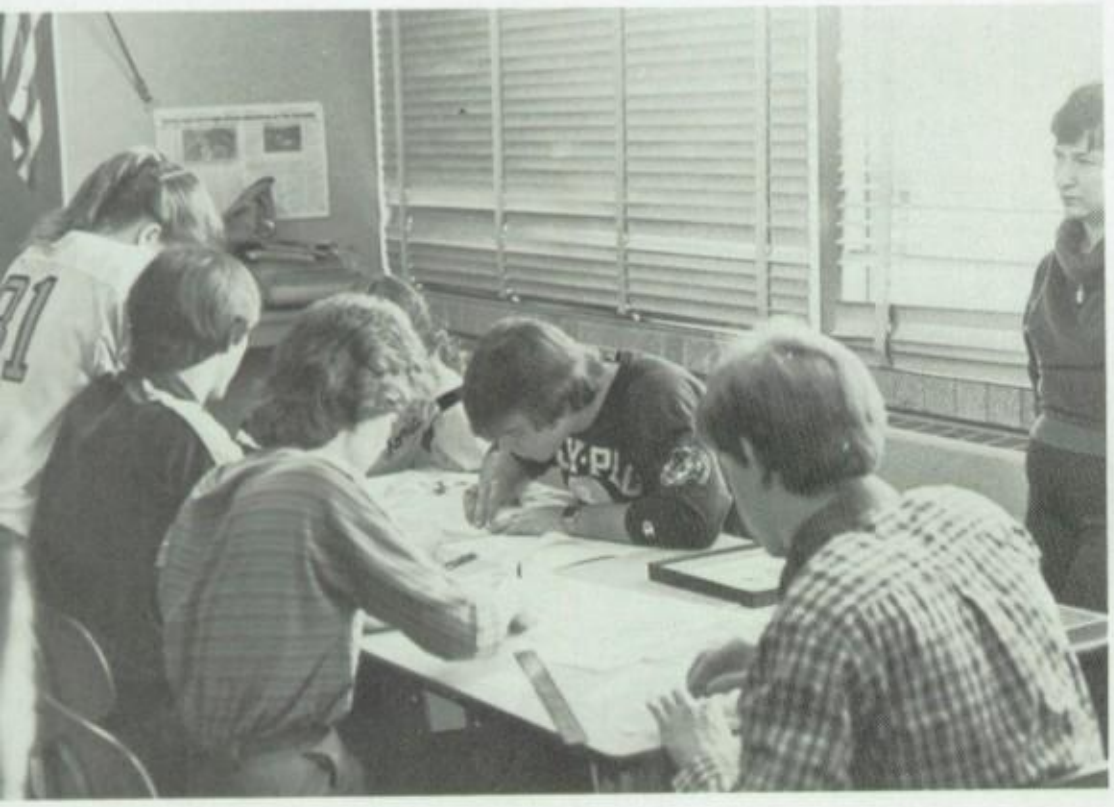
Besides trying to please the whole school, pictures are another problem; there never seems to be enough of them even though 3,000 are printed and 2,000 of these are used in the book. Almost all of these are taken by Photo editor Mike Raisbeck and his assistant Kevin Hartley. The staff's main goal is to improve each year.

Lisa Bryan and Ann Maley pose with Ed Villwock from Josten's. Ed's advice was valuable to the staff.



Dana Calonge works on her volleyball spread.

Jon Ament and Konia Meyer work on page 8, Jon's editorial page.



Editors Randy Oakley, Jon Ament and Chris Collins and their assistants are waxing up the final copy of the newspaper.

Chris Collins, News Editor, and assistant Ron McKeown work on page 3 and 4. Chris is also a correspondent for the Kansas City Star.

Lisa Bryan, a reporter, types up her story. "I'm sure it will be anothe award-winner." Lisa says.

Beth Todd, Editor-in-Chief and Assistant News Editor Ron McKeown look at exchange papers for new ideas.

Newspaper goes in-depth

The Panther Times made a big change this year by putting out an 8 page paper. They changed their deadlines so that the paper would come out every three weeks. This cut the number of issues down from 15 to 11. This gave the staff more time to work on their stories and improve on the quality.

The content of the paper even changed as the newspaper staff began to report more than just school news, honor rolls, and the lunch menu. In-depth stories were written on such contraversial subjects as drinking and driving, shop lifting and nuclear war.

"The paper has improved, we are covering real news."

"I think the paper has improved for the better," said photo editor Mike Raisbeck, "we are finally covering real news."

Although the quality of the newspaper has improved, Mrs. Gentry feels there is still room for more. "I've seen this paper get better each year and I hope that it continues," said Mrs. Gentry

"I like what the paper is doing and I feel that they are handling these stories in an organized and professional manner," said Mr. Rankin.

The paper also introduced two new columns. Jon's Dirty Laundry by Jon Ament is a humorous column and Nancy's Nonsense is a satirical look at life in general.

"I enjoyed writing it though I did received lots of criticism; but you have to learn to laugh," said Jon.

— Ann Maley

Vo-Tech popular to many

Again this year, many students from R-P attended Vo-Tech as it continues to be a great opportunity for students wanting specialized training.

Juniors and seniors are allowed to attend. Some sophomores in special areas are able to go, too. These students attend Vo-Tech in the mornings. They leave before school for Harrisonville, where Vo-Tech is located, and return some time during fourth hour.

Vo-Tech is for those students who want to receive specialized training in vocational fields. These include such things as Electronics, Auto Mechanics, Welding, and many others. Here they learn and actually practice their field of study.

Those students in Building and Trades actually spend the year building a house. They spend the year as if they were actually on the job building the house. After completion of the house, it is then sold for a small profit. This is to pay for contests and supplies for the next year's house.

"It's an opportunity to develop vocational skills," John Cantrell

Most students who attend Vo-Tech appreciate the opportunity to attend and feel it is a great way for them to prepare for the future. -Konia Meyer

Jackie Buschhorn looks over trophies from Vo-tech contests. Jackie is at Vo-Tech in sales and marketing.

Tony Chaffin, Brian Spencer, and Todd Owens sit through Agriculture class at Vo-Tech.

Senior John Cantrell works diligently in Agriculture. John has been attending Vo-Tech for 2 Years.

Terry Porter hides out while he takes a test in Agriculture.

Troy Smith changes a tire during Auto Mechanics.

Mr. Orr conducts the Freshman Choir as they sing in the Thanksgiving Concert. A lot of practice went into this for them.

These are the people that received exceptionally high ratings in district at Warrensburg.

This is the Women's Choir performing at the Thanksgiving Concert.

Concert Choir received an honor one rating this year, which is the highest rating given. They performed in front of a live audience and in front of four judges. They did a fine job of representing Raymore-Peculiar High School.

Mary Strobl packed her things after a long day in district contest at Warrensburg. A lot of the students were in many events.

Choir sings in the rain

This year as in the past few years it has rained on district tryouts in Warrensburg, but it has helped the choirs' considerably. Chamber, Concert, Men's choirs, and seven soloists were awarded honorable one's. There were 16 twos and 7 threes.

Beth Todd, Tim Parsons, Kyle Carpenter, and George Gurnett tried out in November for all district choir and made it. Beth Todd went on to all state.

The choirs were fund raising for a bowl-a-thon and a Christmas dinner this year. They raised $2,000.

Concert, Women's and Men's choirs performed at the Fall, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Spring concerts this year. They did a good job!

-Lisa Schroer

"It was an experience," says Wes Morton

While the Marching Band struts to the beat, Dana Ober leads them along the crowded streets of downtown Missouri.

The Freshman Band is a refinement of fundamentals. They get enough experience from this class to join the Concert Band their sophomore year. Here you see them warming up. They have been practicing for their concert while will be held in the school gymnasium in spring. Many long hours of hard work go into this concert.

These people went to district band in various places. CMMEA (Central Missouri Music Educators Association) all district band, requires competative auditions against twenty-seven different schools from the central district. It also involves an overnight band clinic in Warrensburg. These people are to be congradulated on their fine performance, dedication and representing the Raymore-Peculiar High School.

Mr. Young stands on the side lines while the Marching Band takes part in this years American Royal Parade.

Tim Parsons, Kim Hendrickson, Sandra Barningham, and Carol Berry all received the honor of going to state finals. They all did a good job in proving to themselves that they could do it!

The Concert Band received an honor one rating at Warrensburg for district band. This is the sixth year in a row that they have received such an honor. Two songs were performed for three judges. They were "Imperatrix" arranged by Alfred Reed and "British Eighth" arranged by Zo Elliott. Practices started in February for this very special event which is every year.

Dana Ober and Heather Raw come back on the bus from Warrensburg looking very happy from honor one ratings, but also very exhausted.

Musicians gain experience

Mr. Young has been a band conductor for 13 years. He has devoted much time and effort to this profession. This year the Concert band has grown to 95 members. They have much more volume than the past years. Concert band develops musical skills to the point of perfection. They perform 5 times a year.

Marching band has received much recognition this year. They performed at 5 football games and took part in the American Royal where they marched approximately two miles. The band also took a trip to a Comets game which was very enjoyable.

When you hear electric guitars, electric pianos, and see new faces with new instruments it has to be the Stage band. Stage band performs at least 15 times a year at various places.

Freshman band is a refinement of fundamentals according to that of Concert band. The freshmen have a fall concert and a spring concert.

Mr. Young is serious about his work, but he also enjoys it very much. — Lisa Schroer

"Music is a serious profession," says Mr. Young

New squad adds to new year

The 82-83 pom pon squad was chosen last April. Other than having practices three to five times a week this summer, they attended camp at KU in July.

"We really became close as a squad, and improved . . ."

"We really became close as a squad, and we improved more than years past," said Nicole McLain. The squad performed many favorites, either with the marching band or to current hits. Some routines were "Eye of the Tiger", "I've Got the Music in Me", and "We Got the Beat".

Added to the usual routines at half-time, the squad attended other events. They marched in the Raymore Homecoming and American Royal parades, performed at the GSI building in Kansas City, and held two clinics for the grade schools and middle school. They were also asked to perform at the Pleasant Hill tournament, and attended a one-day camp at Lee's Summit in March. —Konia Meyer

Markie Hessefort, Kari Tiegen, and Carla Martin work hard during half-time at a football game.

Crystal Huskey, Karen Goade, and Daphne Speck show off at an O'Hara basketball game, to music by the stage band.

The squad performed at the first pep assembly of the year to "Eye of the Tiger".

The squad practices their straight lines in the cafeteria at a pre-game practice.

Kari Tiegen entertains at a pep assembly to "Love is in Control".

Capt. Konia Meyer performs during her third year on the squad.

The pom pon squad performs to "I've Got the Music in Me".

Couldn't have a better team

New sponsors, a new image, new requirements, and some new cheerleaders plus some old ones made this year's cheerleaders a power-packed team.

"It has been my honor and privilege to have worked alongside such exceptional, enthusiastic, and highly motivated people as these girls, during the past year. Our greatest accomplishment has been in creating a real team spirit, and although I personally had no hand the election of these people, I couldn't have chosen a better team," said Ms. Higgins. Many of the cheerleaders believe the reason for their success this year is their sponsor, Ms. Higgins.

"Because of J.J.'s support, we have undergone a change for the better." Mary Gunter

The cheerleaders spent much of their time making two posters for each game, planning pep assemblies, dances, going to summer camps, and planning breakfast for their teams.

For the second year in a row, some of the Varsity members went to camp and captured First Place Varsity and Grand Champion titles. Adding to their excitement, Terri Sullivan was chosen Miss All-Star. This means that Terri will be teaching at cheerleading camps this summer.

This year, the squads really did work hard to become a team. Their team effort and determination proved to be a dynamic duo. With their extra support for their teams they raised school spirit enormously. Hopefully this team effort will be carried on in the future. -Tina Barnard

"How does this look?" asks Sara Allen and Debbie Kibler during one of many Wednesday night practices.

Tracy Bourland was one of many to march in the American Royal Parade.

Firing up the sidelines, Terri Sullivan, Michelle Cox, and Debbie Kibler cheer "Panthers are ready."

Tammy Vaters, Sherri Guilford, Traci Shelley, and Kathy McKeown are found cheering the cross country runners on.

Waiting for the American Royal Parade to begin is sophomore Johnna Dean.

"Pin your man" say Wrestling Cheerleaders, Tina Barnard, Debbie Dobson, and Kathy McKeown.

"Our Panther team is first rate" says Kim Shrewsbury at a Lady Panther's Basketball game.

Walking away with First Place Varsity title for the second year in a row, Tina Barnard, Terri Sullivan, and Johnna Dean are overwhelmed with joy.

Melissa Buffon is shown marching in the American Royal Parade. Pom pon girl Daphne Speck is in the back.

The haves vs. the have-nots

"Roar of the Greasepaint-The Smell of the Crowd" is a musical-comedy about the struggle between haves and have-nots.

The Haves, (Sir) was represented by Wes Morton. He plays someone who has it all and wants to keep it. The have-nots, (Crocky) was represented by George Gurnett. He has nothing, and wants it all.

"I thought it was fantastic!" Mary Stroble

Other characters include, (Kid) Kim Rains, (Girl) Glenda Sloan, (Negro) Johnna Dean, (Bully) Jeff Nichols, and (Urchins) played by many new young talents.

"It was a very good play, but it was deep and hard to understand what was going on," commented Randy Oakley who attended the play.

"The attendence was normal, and everything went fairly smoothly with the exception of a few things we forgot," Mr. Brannan remarked about the musical. "I was especially jealous of George for playing the role that I have always wanted to play." — Tina Barnard

The choreographer (Andrea Bailey) works out a dance with the Assistant Director (Sam Spencer).

Practice makes perfect- and that is exactly what Wes Morton, Kim Rains, and George Gurnett are aiming for in this all-school musical play. Rehearsals took place after school in the cafeteria, which took lots of dedication and work.

The entrie case of "The Roar of the Greasepaint- the Smell of the Crowd" sing along with Sir (Wes Morton).

Kid (Kim Rains), spills-the-beans to Cocky (George Gurnett) about Sir.

Sir and Cocky (George Gurnett) compromise over their differences towards the end as they realize that things will not ever change, the rich get richer, the poor get poorer.

The entire cast stand for the applause: Vivian Chanselor, Jocelyn Wills, Melissa Martin, Shannon Dyer, Tim Parsons, Denise Lewis, Scott Tabor, Sean McKarnin, Robert Warder, Julie Spirk, Kevin McCubbins, Rhonda Thomason, George Gurnett, Rich Linden, Andrea Bailey, Matt Coburn, Barbara Jones, Wes Morton, Donna Wendel, Laurie Rice, and Steve Lewis.

Distressed with Joan's (Jocelyn Wills) bad news, Lorry (Julie Spirk), Mrs. Burgess (Rhonda Thomason), and Jocko (Robert Warder) try to think of a solution.

"You're not afraid of a little mouse," says Elsie Hunter (Melisa Martin) to Janet Young (Shannon Dyer).

Lorry (Julie Spirk) smacks Nancy (Andrea Bailey) as a shocked Andy (Kevin McCubbins) looks on.

It always goes up

Jocko's uncle, Kyle Roberts (Tim Parsons), tries to reclaim his shoe from the janitor, Mr. Tony Pererson (Scott Tabor).

Milt Sanders (Rich Linden) sets Mr. Leveridge straight about the way he treats his daughter Nancy.

Have you ever wondered what goes on before a school play? How it is practiced? Or maybe why the people who make it try out?

"Curtain Going Up" was this year's spring play. This comedy was about a school putting on a school play.

"No matter what, the curtain always goes up" Jocelyn Wills

The entire story revolves around a new drama director, Mrs. Burgess, who places a newspaper editor, Lorry, in the position of leading lady. And the most popular guy in the school, Jocko, as the leading male. The major crisis is that nothing is going right. Jocko's girlfriend is jealous, Lorry's boyfriend is jealous, the Home-Ec teacher is jealous, Nancy's father's ambitions for her lead her into trouble, and most important is Lorry's loss of concern for her Journalism career.

But with all these complications, the play does go on. In the end everything goes back to normal, and the star-struck Lorry goes back to Journalism. — Tina Barnard

CAST

(In Order of Apperance)

Mr. Tony Peterson.....Scott Tabor
Elsie Hunter.....Melisa Martin
Janet Young.....Shannon Dyer
Buck O'Hara.....Sean McKarnin
Nancy Leveridge.....Andrea Bailey
Milt Sanders.....Rich Linden
Jocko Guthrie.....Robert Warder
Lorry Fuller.....Julie Spirk
Andy Fullbright.....Kevin McCubbins
Miss Irene Burgess.....Rhonda Thomason
Sylvia Moore.....Vivian Chanslor
Joan White.....Jocelyn Wills
Miss Moran.....Barbara Jones
Mr. Carter.....George Gurnett
Miss Rivers.....Denise Lewis
Kyle Roberts.....Tim Parsons
Mr. Richard Leveridge.....Matt Coburn
Middle-aged Woman.....Angelia Moss
Middle-aged Man.....Wes Morton
Girls.....Lori Rice
Donna Weldel
Boys.....Steve Lewis
Jeff Nichols

Up where

The Class of 1984
of
Raymore=Peculiar High School
requests the honor of your presence at
The Junior=Senior Prom
"Up Where We Belong"
on Saturday evening, April ninth
nineteen hundred and eighty=three
from eight = twelve
John Knox Pavilion
Lee's Summit, Missouri

Watching the royalty crowning, Susan Byram and Matt Hammack rest up for dance.

Tara Titus and Pat Coyne take a breather from a strenuous night of dancing.

Lisa Reed goes "Shirley Temple!"

Lisa Bryan and Jon Ament are shown on their way to Prom.

Beth Todd, and her boyfriend And Holt, from Pleasant Hill, slow dance t the theme song "Up Where We Be long."

Who knows what tomorrow brings;
In a world, few hearts survive?
All I know is the way I feel;
When it's real, I keep it alive.
The road is long.
There are mountains in our way,
But we climb a step ev'ry day.

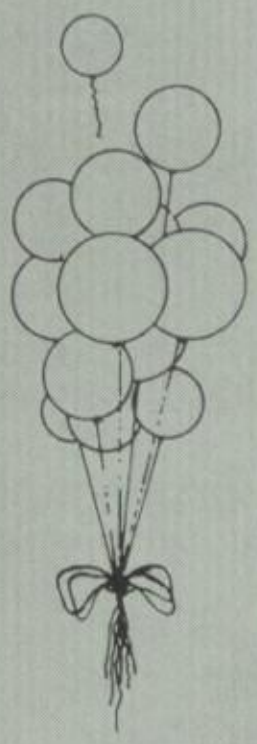
Love lift us up where we belong,
Where the eagles cry on a mountain high.
Love lift us up where we belong,
Far from the world we know;
Up where the clear winds blow.

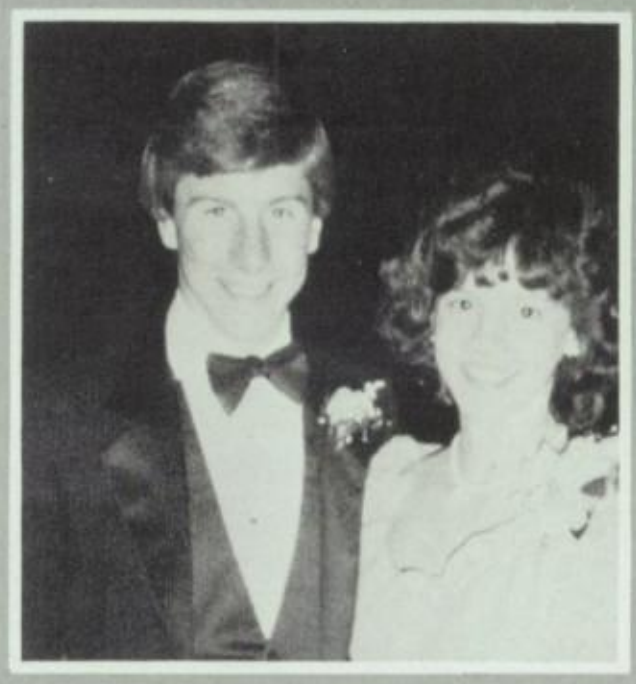
we belong

n Plunkett, Heather Raw, Deanna Reeser, Shannon McWilliams, Stephanie orp, and Tina Stienke, model their dresses.

Kirsty Stewart and Martina Vogel model their foreign prom attire. Martina's dress was from Germany and Kirsty made her own dress for the prom.

'The 1983 Prom was the best prom I've participated in at Ray-Pec" -Kathy Jenkins





Craig Lafferty and Sara Amerson smile as they head for the prom.

A pre-prom dinner was held at Gilley's for the teachers and their spouses.

Terry Deville and Pam Plunkett pick up their souveniers at prom.

Prom 1983

1. Steve Dearmont and Kathy Taylor enjoy a slow dance. 2. Gary Renshaw and Deanna Reser pose for a picture. 3. Mike Vogt and Markie Hessefort crash out at an after prom party! 4. Jeff Ganaden and Johnna Dean model their prom attire. Hoop skirts were definately in this year. 5. Dee Green and Kris Barnes pose in front of the acclaimed "Rainbow". 6. Mrs. Fulk and her husband, David, take time out from watching the door to pose for a picture. 7. Greg Brown shows a look of astonishment when he sees the prices at the Peppercorn Duck Club.

aig Lafferty and Janelle Brewster dance after being crowned.

Prom: A big success

There was a feeling of excitement in the air April 9th when approximately 230 students prepared themselves for the junior-senior prom as the juniors presented "Up Where We Belong" at the John Knox Pavillion in Lee's Summit.

This year prom took on a different light with a new setting. The John Knox Pavillion provided a lavish ballroom look and a huge dance floor. Students were excited about the new change and many more attended this year.

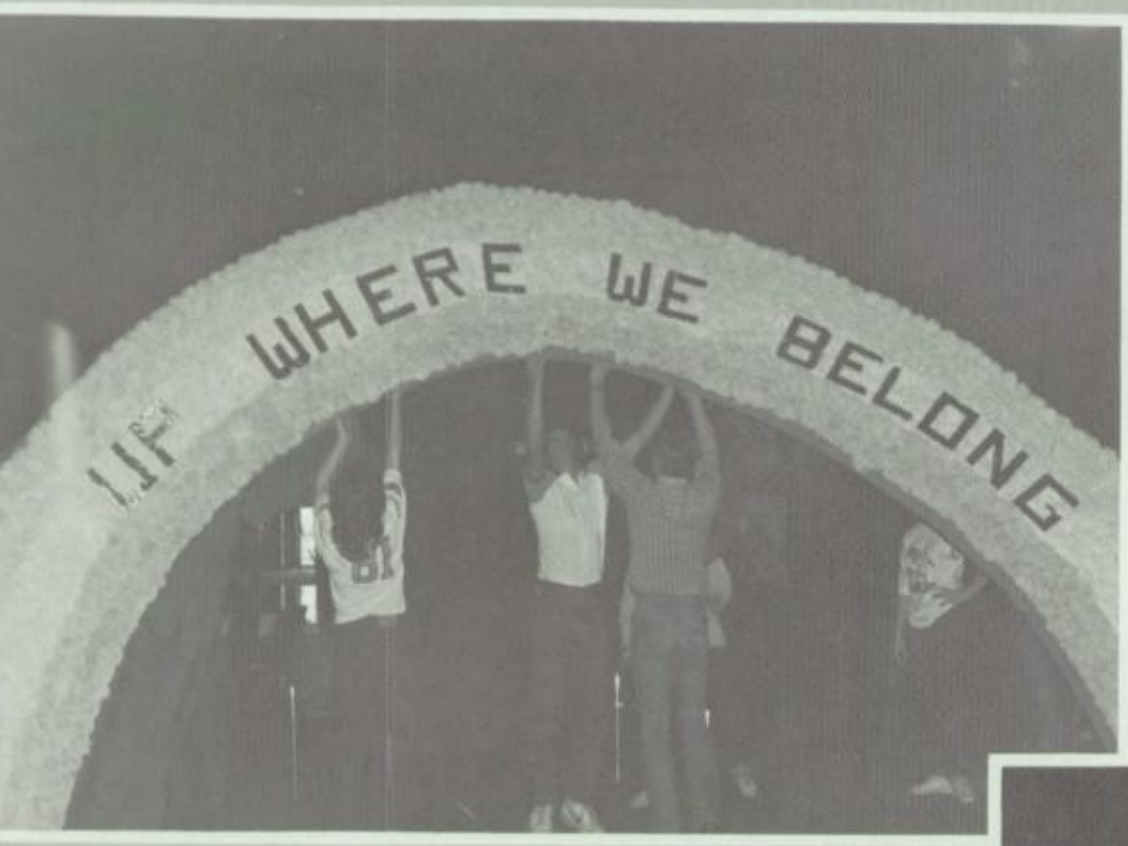
In addition to the setting Prom Royalty was another attraction. At 10:00 Craig Lafferty and Janelle Brewster were crowned the Prom King and Queen. "It was really an honor and surprise!" stated Janelle.

Mannequin's Sound Systems provided the entertainment and the students seemed to enjoy the music by request method instead of a rock and roll band. They played the music that students wanted to hear. "At least they played some slow songs this year", stated Bruce Brown, junior.

Over half of the teachers attended the prom this year. A pre-prom dinner was held for all of the teachers and their husbands and wives at Gilley's. The teachers then proceeded to the Pavillion for the prom. "I enjoyed watching those who attended have an evening to remember and be proud of" said Mrs. Jenkins.

There has always been the question that has arisen every year as to just how many people would actually attend prom, but this year the students seemed to be really motivated and excited about it. "Everyone that went seemed like they really had a good time." said Gordie Light.

— Lisa Bryan



e Up Where We Belong Rainbow required many gureling hours of work the juniors. Kleenex flowers were made individually and wired into a e frame that gave shape to the rainbow. It proved lots of motivation.

Mike Finke and his date, Chris Niewald wait for their song.

his stupid ruffle won't stay down!!" Heather Raw and Clint Harkrader ove that formal wear doesn't have to be the least bit comfortable.

Thursday, May 19th —

Seniors bid tearful farewells

"Now that it's all over and we have actually graduated, it seems like it all happened so fast," said Tina Steinke. "One minute we're all walking around asking questions and the next we're graduating and getting our diplomas!"

Many Seniors agreed that this was, in fact, the case. Graduation means many things to many seniors. For some, it's an ending, a chance to just get out of school. For others, however, it's the beginning of a new life. With this new life comes lots of changes such as new friends, a new job, or maybe even a new place to live.

"I feel like crying because you just know that you will never see most of these people again, and it will never be the same," said Dana Calogne.

It was a tearful goodbye for some, especially so, it seemed, for the underclassmen. Most of the juniors seemed more upset than the seniors! They realized that the seniors graduation was bringing them closer to their ending, also.

There is something about graduation that brings out the best in people. People that have been enemies all through high school run up and hug each other. "I liked getting hugged by everyone! Especially people I didn't know!" said Greg Brown.

— Lisa Bryan, Ann Maley

Terry Porter receives his diploma and a farewell handshake.

Dana Calogne hears the Benediction marking the end of graduation.

Tina Steinke, the Valedictorian, delivers her speech at commencement.

The senior class marches to the football field to begin the commencement exercises.

Commencement 1983

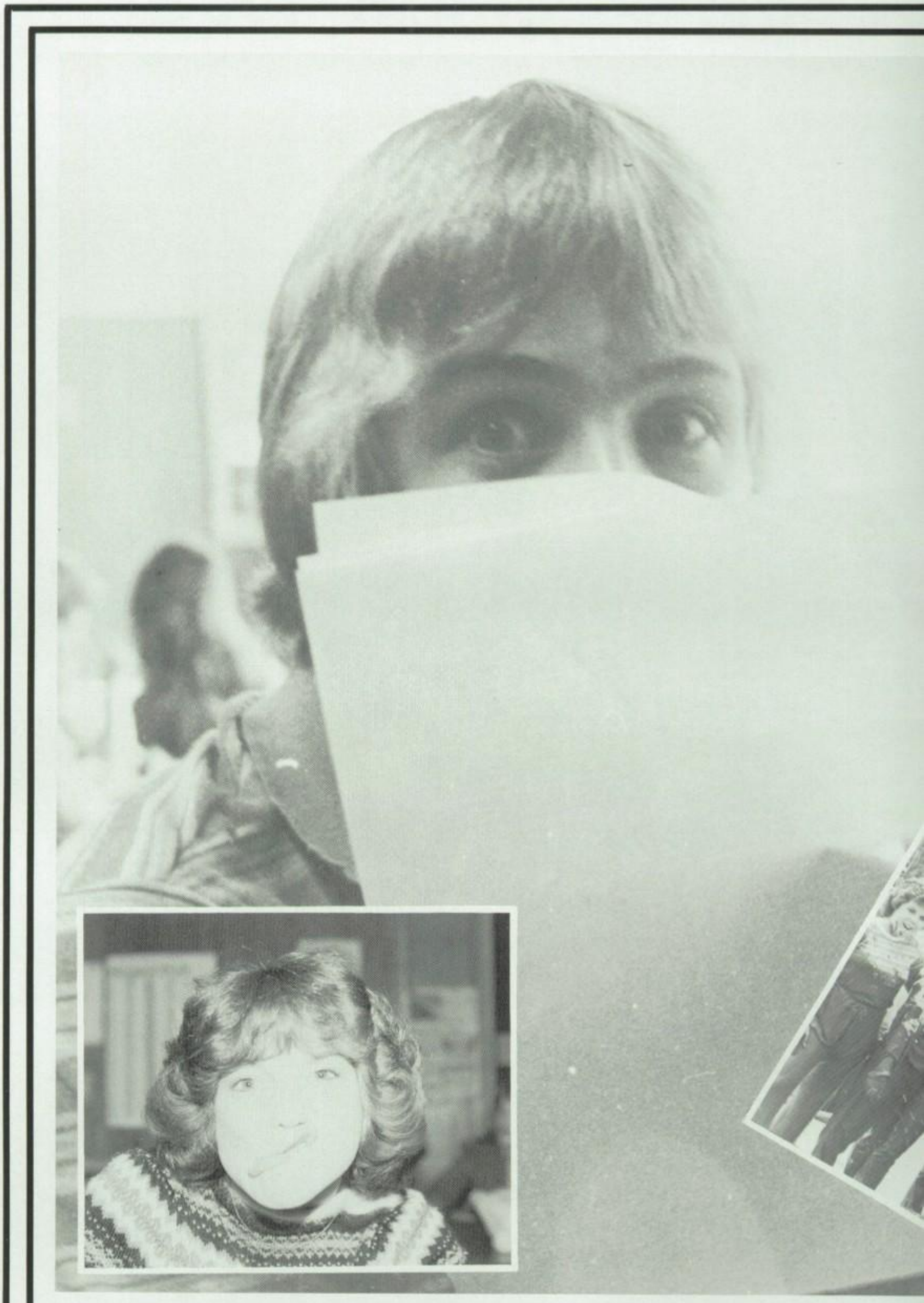
eniors walk onto the football field to Pomp and Circumstance.

The administrators and school board members give the welcome.

Dana Calogne and Mike Watts applaud with the rest of the class after Tina's speech.

Heather Raw and Carol Gorman, Salutatorians, give a speech.

The seniors march onto the platform to receive their diplomas.



PEOPLE

R-P students have many weekend activities

"Are you going to the game tonight?" "Who all is going to Pogo's?" These were a few of the questions often heard while leaving school on a Friday afternoon. Whether it be parties, games, movies or just staying at home, the weekend activities seemed to be the most looked forward to aspect of the week.

This year there seemed to be quite a turn to the eighteen bars. Maverick's, Pogo's, Equinox, etc. . . . You had quite a choice from country-western dancing to disco to rock and roll. The only catch was that you had to be eighteen years old or get your hands on a fake I.D. Many of our seniors spent their weekends at these bars. Jon Ament, senior, stated, "It is a really great way to meet people."

Another weekend activity was the ever-popular movies. You can't go wrong with a movie! This year 3-D movies were made popular. Some of the favorites of the year were: "E.T.", "Rocky III", "On Golden Pond", "Tootsie", "An Officer and a Gentleman", "Poltergeist", "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" and "Halloween III". A movie seemed to be the most popular spot to take a date, usually followed by pizza or a trip to McDonalds.

Another activity was going to the high school games. Yes, many students do still support their school by attending these sports functions. Football, volleyball, wrestling, basketball, and baseball all provided some weekend entertainment. This was also a cheaper alternative to spending lots of money on a date.

Many students devoted their weekends activities to the work force instead. Whether it be Hardee's, McDonald's or TG&Y, weekends were a time of part time work for many students. "It's lots better to work on a weekend than to stay up late working on a school night," said Darren Richter, junior.

Is there a student at Ray-Pec that hasn't learned the art of just "cruising"? If there isn't anything else to do you can always find someone out wasting America's precious fuels. A lot of peoples' idea of fun seems to be driving back and forth to Sonic and McDonalds just waiting for someone else to drive by that they know.

Weekends provided many forms of fun for students. What you did and where you went always seemed to be the topic of conversation on a Monday morning. It did seem though, that whatever Ray-Pec students did on the weekends proved to be fun!

-Lisa Bryan

Jim Green, Senior says, "Who, me???!!"

"Can you do this?" says Cindy Rowlett.

R-P students display their muddy attire after a mud pull held at Lyons Park. Pictured are: Kim Theile, Konia Meyer, Jeff Ganaden, April Radtke, Brian Smith, Frank Dunnington, Ann Maley, Heather Raw, Walter Plumb, and Kelly Theile.

JEANNINE AKINS
Art, Pottery, sponsor of Art Club. Received B.S. in Ed. and Major in Art Ed. from NMSU.

BELINDA ALFORD
Basic Math, Algebra I, and Geometry. Head of PTA Public Relations and Jr. Girl Scout leader. Received B.S. in Ed. at KU.

DAVE ARNALL
Shop and Drafting. Sponsor of I.A.C. Received B.S. in Ed. from CMSU.

PAUL BARBARICK
Weight Training, physical ed., Varsity football assistant and wrestling coach. Received B.S. in Ed. from CMSU.

MARILYN BENBOW
Home Ec., Clothing, and Culture. Sponsor of F.H.A. and senior class. Received A.A. from Cottey, B.S. in Ed. and M.S. from CMSU.

RUTH BLOODWORTH
English I and Short Story. Sponsor of junior class. Received B.S.E. from Emporia State.

LOIS BRANCH
Guidance Counselor M.A. from Montclair State in New Jersey, B.A. from college of William and Mary in Virginia.

Addition in math department

Changes in the math department, it seems, are being made on a year to year basis. New this year is Mrs. Belinda Alford, taking the place of Mrs. Ruth Rogers who resigned because of health problems late in second quarter.

Mrs. Alford's high school years were spent at Carl Junction involved in many clubs and activities. "Anything they had to offer, I was in," she said, FTA, FHA, Student Council, being president of the club her senior year. The girls drum corp included Mrs. Alford on the baritone bugle.

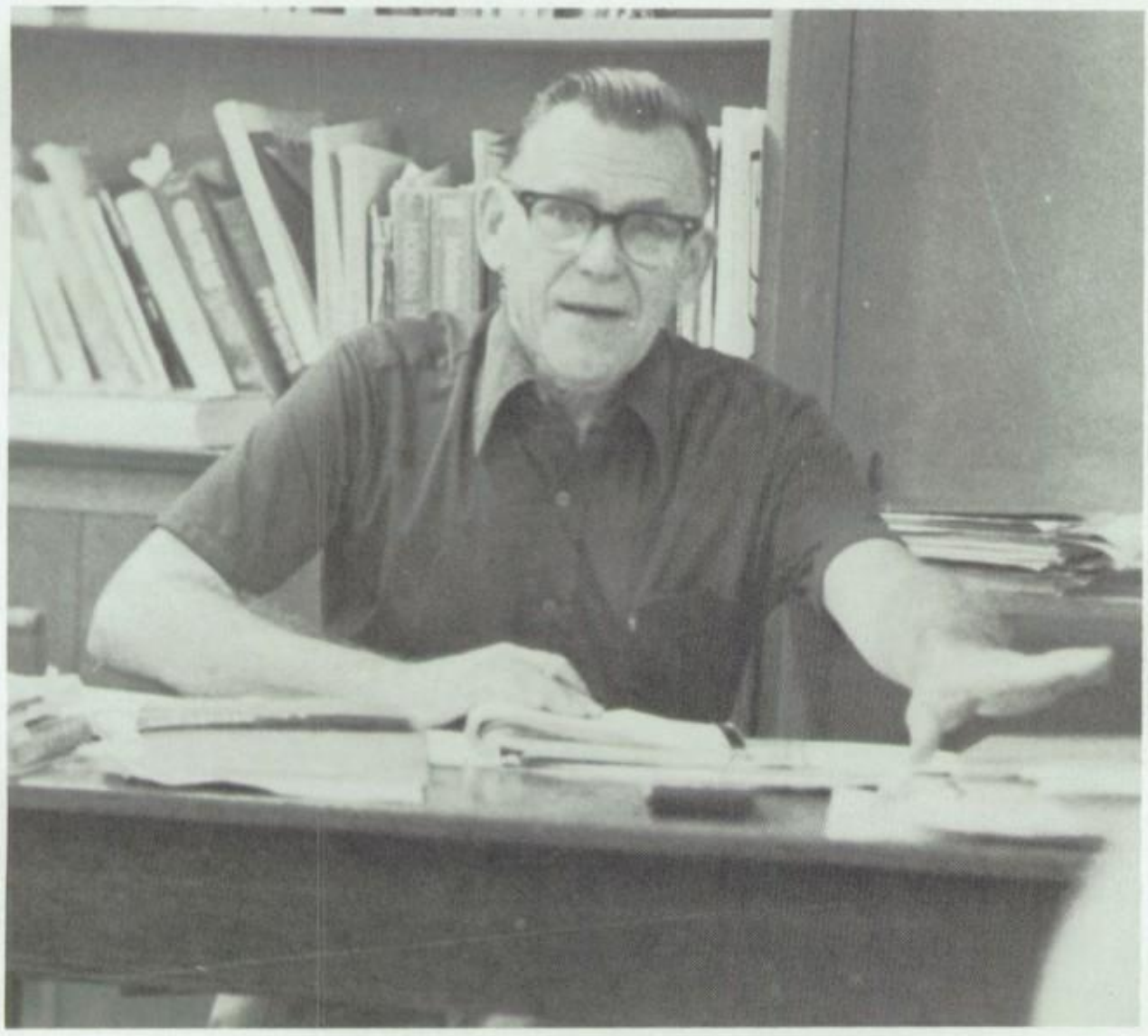
After student teaching at Irvin Junior High, she began her first teaching job in the math department at Ruskin High School in 1971-72. Her husband, Richard, presently coaches cross country, freshman basketball, and track there. The following year she conducted classes at Hickman Mills, taking leave for five years to have two children. She resumed teaching at Smith-Hale Junior High for one year, then had a third child.

Mrs. Alford has two boys; Trevor, 4, and Travis, 6. Her oldest is a girl, Tracy, age 9. In her spare time, Mrs. Alford is co-leader of fourth grade Junior Girl Scouts in Peculiar. She is also in charge of Peculiar PTA public relations.

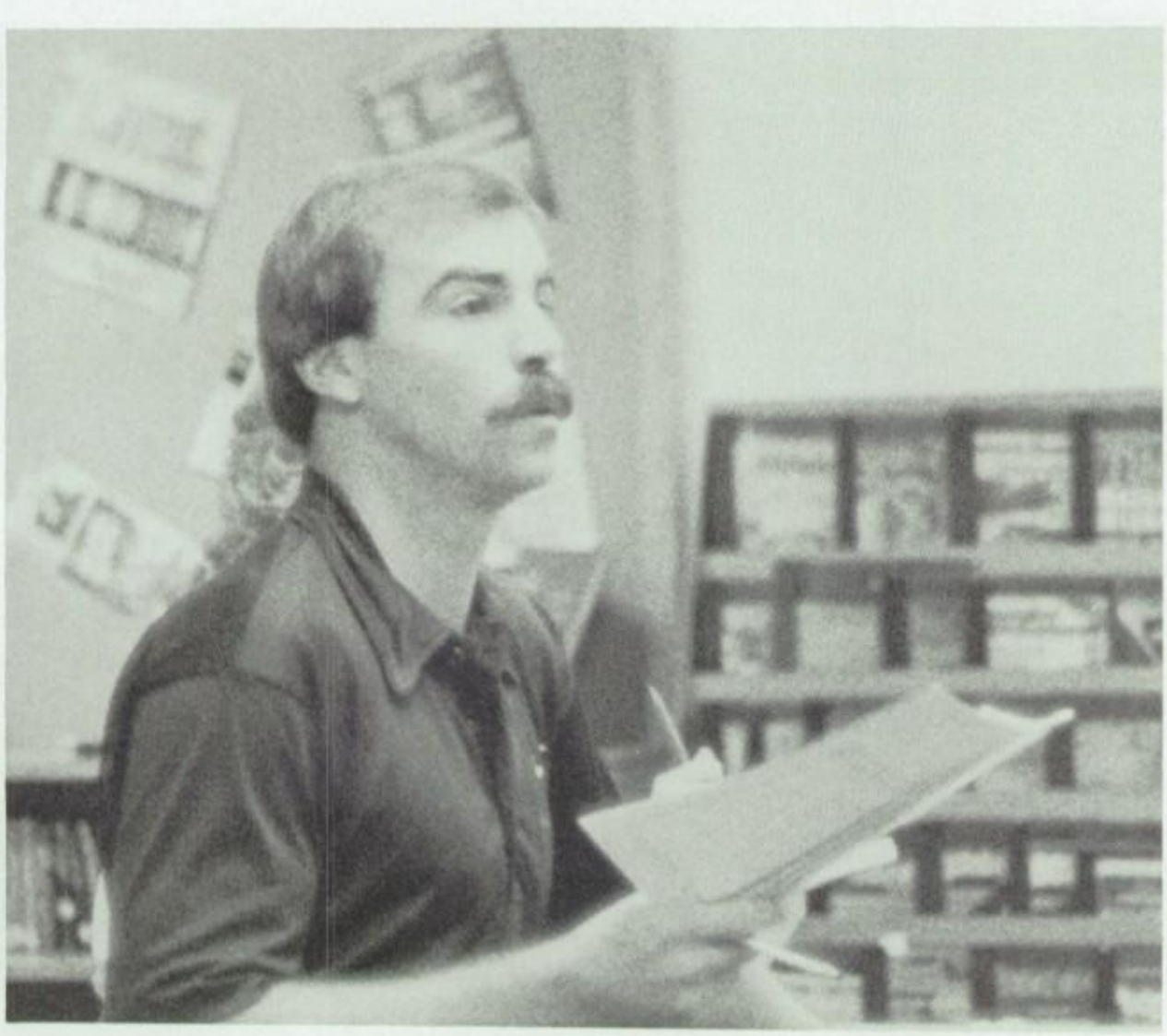
"Since I came here, I've had a lot of support from all of the teachers. It's been a good staff to work with," said Mrs. Alford.

Chris Collins

Demonstrations on the blackboard takes up a large percentage of Mrs. Alford's math classes.



Mr. Coe brushes chemical waste from his desk.



Mr. Arnall, making his list and checking it twice.

RONALD BRANAN
Creative Comm., Drama classes. Sponsor of Drama Club, Forensics coach. Received B.S. in Ed. and M.A. from CMSU.

SANDY BRYAN
I.S.S. Supervisor. Received B.A. in Business Ed. from Cardinal Cushing College, Boston, Mass.

DELORIS CHAPMAN
Office Machines, Typing, Business Law-/Study Hall, F.B.L.A. sponsor. Received B.S. in Ed. from SMSU.

DEBBIE CLAYTON
Girls team sports, Dance, and phys. ed. Head of girls track, basketball, x-country coach. Received B.S. in Ed. from SMSU.

KAY COBB
Algebra I and II, Calculus, and Math classes. Math club sponsor. Has B.S. in Ed. from SMSU, M. in Ed. from Drury College.

JAMES COE
Physics and chemistry classes. Received B.S. from CMS, M. in Ed. and M.S. from MU.

B.W. COLLINS
Power Mechanics, Home Maint., Wood Shop. He is assistant Freshman football coach. Received B.S. and M.S. Ind. Tech. from CMS.

JEFF DAVIS
Soc. Studies, Civics, Cur. Issues, World Geo., Dept. Head of Soc. Studies, Asst. Football, Wrestling, and Baseball. B.S. in Ed. at SMSU.

MARY DOBSON
High School Librarian with a B.S.E. and a M.S.E. at CMSU

WILLIAM DOOLEY
Bio. II, Astronomy, Aerospace, Ecology, Gen. Science. Head Stu-Co Advisor with a B.S. and a M.S. in Ed. from CMSU.

BOYD ERICKSON
Gen. Woodworking, Gen. Metals, and Freshmen Gen. Shop. I.A.C. sponsor with a B.S. in Ed. from SMSU and a M.S. from CMSU.

BECKY FITZPATRICK
Phys. Ed. I, Ind./Dual Sports, and Team Sports. Head Volleyball, Asst. Track with a B.S. in Ed. from SMSU.

DEBRA KAY FRIEDRICH
Fam. Relations, Inter. Decor., Child Development, Foods and Nutri., Consumer Ed., Frosh Class Sponsor with a B.S. in Ed. from CMSU.

WINIFRED FULK
Intro. to Comp., Comp. Programming, Trig., Algebra I, Junior Class Sponsor with a B.S., M.S., and a Ph.D. from the University of Maryland.

Lady coaches run Macy's 10,000 Meter

With a grueling course of 6.2 miles, coaches Becky Fitzpatrick and Debra Clayton participated in the Macy's 10,000 Meter Run. They ran the morning of November 7, not to win, but to finish the race.

"For us, it was not competitive, but only a motivational type thing, because we knew that if we planned to run 6.2 miles, we would have to train," said Coach Clayton. "We also wanted a tee-shirt saying that we ran the race."

This was Coach Fitzpatrick's first race, while it was Coach Clayton's third (including the Hospital Hill Run and the Avon last April). "I ran to see if I could do it," said Coach Fitzpatrick, "I had trained up to 4 miles but never past that." Her goal, which she accomplished, was to complete the race without walking.

The course began and ended at the downtown Macy's store and circled around by Crown Center and the Penn Valley Community College.

"It was motivating in itself passing men on the hills and those ahead of us who had begun walking," said Coach Clayton. But, when commenting on where they placed in the race, "Let's just say, we weren't in the first half," is all she said.

Their future plans are to run the Avon next April.

Coaches Clayton and Fitzpatrick cool down at the finish line of the Macy's 10,000 Meter Run.

Mr. Dooley releases six of approximately 300 balloons in the student council sponsored Great American Balloon Race.

Miss Higgins demonstrates her school spirit on PJ Day with an unusual hairstyle.

SHARON GENTRY
Journalism, Publications, and Photography. Quill and Scroll Sponsor with a B.S. in Ed. from SMSU and a M.L.A. from SMSU and Baker University.

PATSY GROOM
Math I, Algebra I, and Prob. Solving. Soph. Class Sponsor with an A.A. from Longview Com. College, and a B.S. in Ed. from CMSU.

SANDRA GUFFEY
School Nurse, sponsors the American Red-Cross Club. Has a L.P.N. from Quincy School of Pract. Nursing in Quincy, Ill.

EDWARD GUNTER
World Hist., Civics, and Junior Class Sponsor. Has an A.A. from Longview Com. College and a B.S. in Ed. from NMSU.

PEGGY HARRIS
High School Counselor with a B.S. in Ed. from MU and a M.S. in Guidance from SMSU.

ANN (J.J.) HIGGINS
Fund. of Art, Drawing and Design, Watercolor, oil and Acrylic, Sculpt. and Printmaking. Head Cheerleading Spon. with a B.S. in Ed. from SMSU.

MABEL HUNT
Director of Special Education with a B.S. from MU, Masters from CMSU, and post-graduate work at UMKC and CMSU.

JOE HUNTER
Gen. and Phys. Science. Coaches Baseball and has a BS in ED from SMSU and a MA in Ed from UMKC.

KATHY JENKINS
Eng I, College Prep., and Creative Writing. Sponsors Lit. Magazine and Head of Jr. Class (Prom). BS in Ed from CMSU and Master of Lit. Arts from SMSU and SMU.

DENISE JENNISON
English I and Spanish I-V. Asst. Sponsor of Cheerleaders and Sponsor of AFS Club. BS in Ed from CMSU.

DARLENE JOHNSON
Myths, Debate, Lit. for the Col. Bnd., Reading for Pleasure, Bas. Gram. Sponsors Debate and has BS in Business from ORU and a MA in Ed from UMKC

COLLEEN JOHNSTON
Food Service Director and sponsors YAC for all Ray-Pec schools.

BECKY KLEIN
Parlimentary Procedures, Gen. Bus., Per. Record., Act. II and Typing I. A BS in Ed. and a Masters in Ed. from CMSU. Sponsors FFA Club.

BILL LENZ
Phys. Ed., Phys. Fitness, Sponsors Senior class, Head Basketball and Asst. Track coach. A BA from the College of Santa Fe and a MED from MU.

Mrs. Bryan assists a student in "ISS" with his assignment. The ISS program currently in use was established during this school year.

New ISS program established this year

This year, Ray-Pec has joined the progressive schools in the country by establishing an In-School-Suspension program. This is an alternative to the out of school suspensions in which the student loses all of his class credit during the duration of his suspension.

Time spent in ISS is very disciplined and structured and is not by any means to be fun. But more than that, it is a time for students to complete class assignments and turn in quality work. Work done in ISS usually helps raise a student's class grade. The students are kept busy bell to bell during the day. Before they can get out, all of their back work and assignments given by the teacher must be completed.

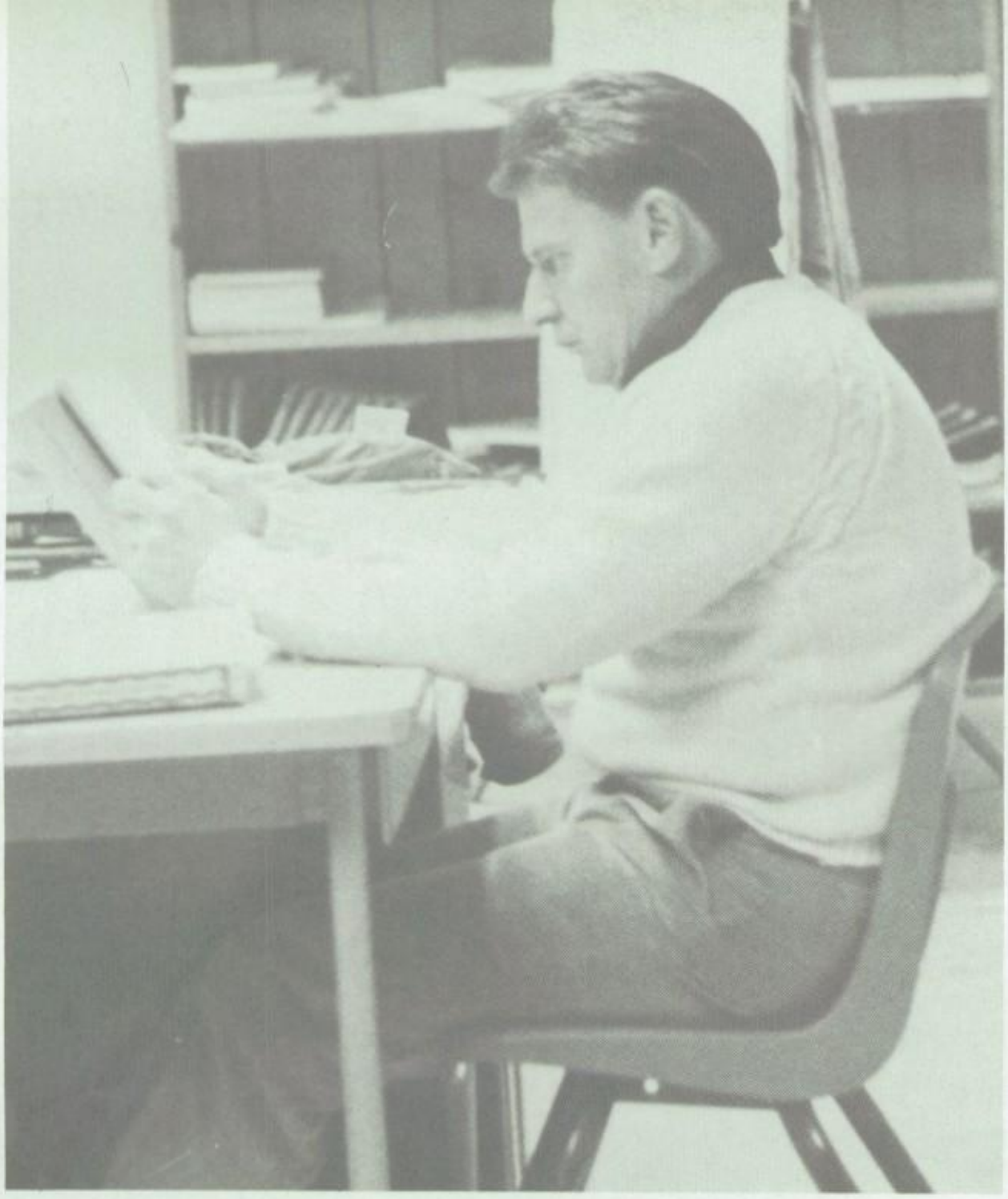
After the student is released from ISS, a follow up report is given to all of the teachers of students that have been suspended. The report consists of the student's behavior and classwork before, and after they serve their suspensions.

Some of the students had complaints that being out in the trailer was isolating them too much. But this was the intent of the program. Mr. Rankin attended seminars and meetings with Mr. Lewis and the counselors on in-school-suspensions. They compared different high school programs to adapt an ISS program for Ray-Pec. Mr. Shull then approved the present program.

Mrs. Sandy Bryan, the instructor of ISS said, "I think that this is the best alternative to an out of school suspension. We're not giving out any more free vacations. All the kids we've gotten in ISS have cooperated and acted well. Most of them couldn't believe all of the work they got done."

Although Ray-Pec's in-school-suspension program is only in its first year, plans are being made to better it in the future. Mrs. Bryan plans on expanding it with literature and films being implemented in a student's stay in ISS. Subject matter could involve smoking, drugs, alcohol, and family problems.

-By Lisa Bryan

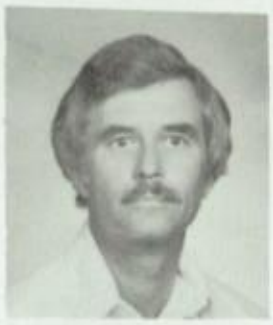


World History and Civics teacher Edward Gunter, leafs through one of the courses text books. This is Mr. Gunter's first year at Ray-Pec. He is also a junior class co-sponser.

SUSAN LOCKARD
Accounting I, Advertising, Bus. Law, Pers. Recordkeeping, and Gen. Bus. Asst. Spon. of Stu-Co. with a BS in Ed and an Assoc. in Sec. from CMSU.

JOAN LODES
High School Learning Disabilities teacher. BS in Ed from MU.

ARNIE LUHNING
Health, First Aid, P.E., and Work study. Asst. 8th grade football coach with a BS in Ed from Moorhead State Univ.



SUSAN MAYES
English I, Short Story A and B, German. Pom-Pon Sponser, A BS in Ed from SMSU.

VAN MCLAIN
Phys. Ed. and Gymnastics. A senior class sponser. A BS in Ed and a MS in Ed from CMSU.

GEORGANN METHENY
Typing I and II, Gen. Business, Bus. Writing. NHS Sponser. A BS in Ed and a MS in Ed from CMSU.

DAVID MOUL
Bio. I and Gen. Science. A BS in Ed from CMSU.

Miss Mayes stretches as she observes pom-pon practice. She is sponsor of the squad this year.

STEVE ORR
Con. Choir, Chamber Choir, Men's and Women's Choir, Mixed Chorus and Freshman Chorus. Has a B.M., B.M.E. and a M.A. from CMSU. Also spon. of VM Boosters.

LARRY PARKER
High School Counselor on the Vocational Adv. Council Board. Has an A.A. from Parsons, K.S. Jun. Col. and a B.S. and M.S. from KSC, Pitts., KS.

SUSAN POPPE
Bas. and Adv. Comp., Adv. Stu. Skills, and Indv. Reading. Has a B.S. in Education from M.U. and is spon. of frosh class.

CY RITTER
Law, Law Enforc., and Amer. Hist. Asst. football coach and head basketball coach. Has a B.A. and B.S.E. in Soc. Sci. and Phys. Ed. from NEMSU.

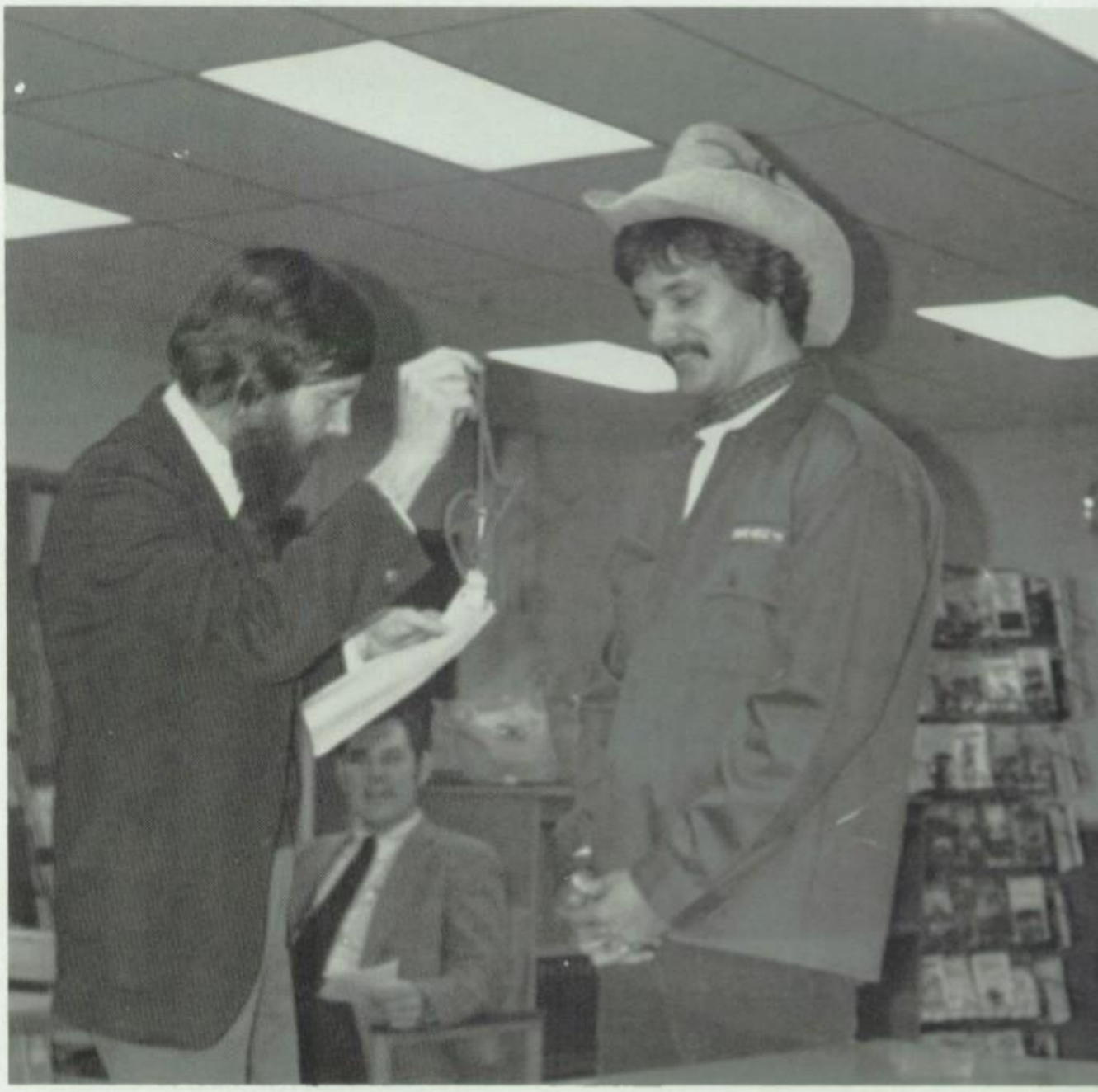
RUTH ROGERS
Geo., Bas, Math, Alegebra I. Majored in German and minored in math at UMKC. Also spon. of soph. class.

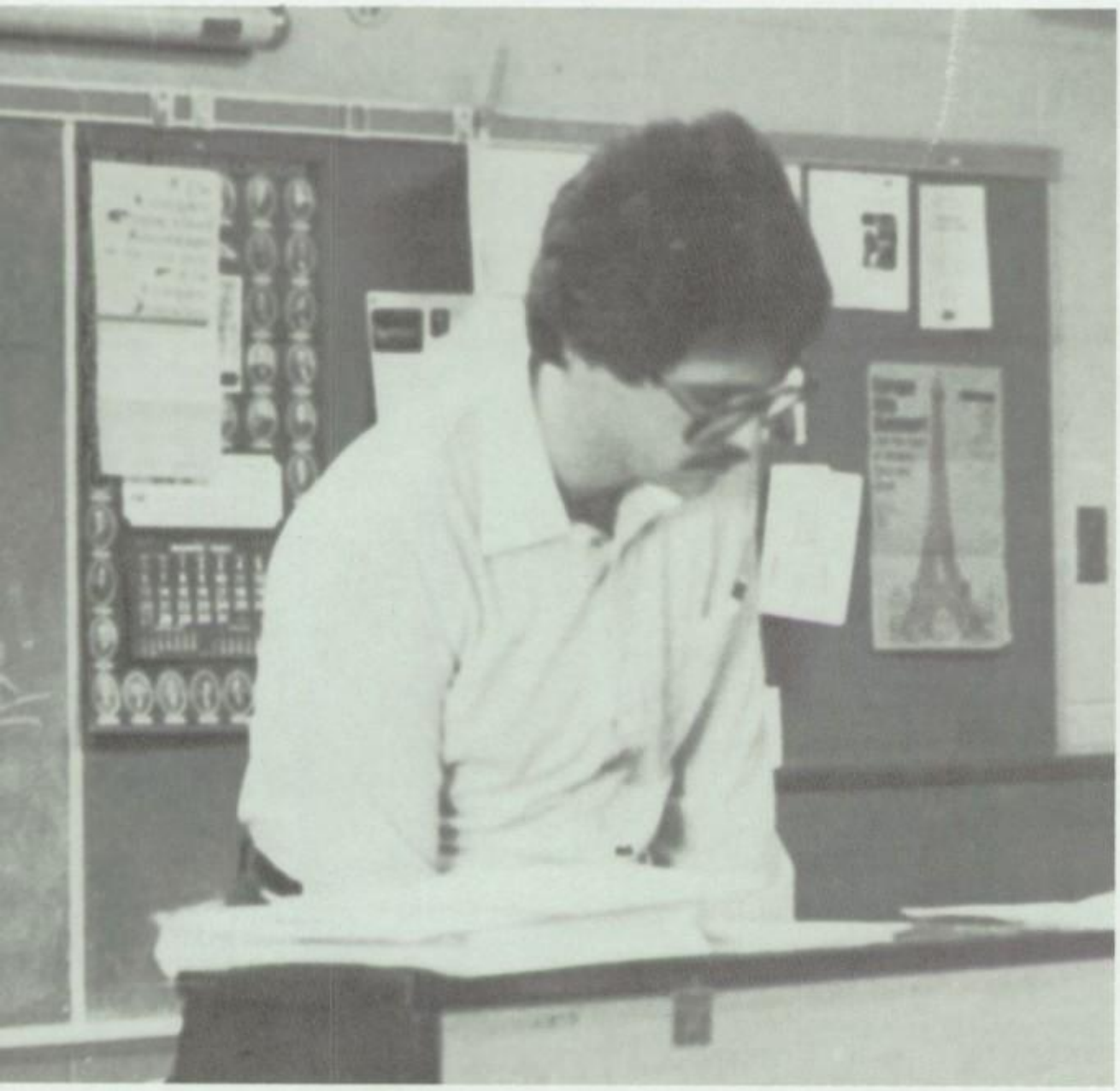
TERRY SANTONE
Drivers Ed. Football coach and Athletic Dir. Has a B.S. and M.E.D. in Ed. from C.M.S.U.

KEN SIMON
Driver Education. Spon. track and 9th grade basketball. Has a B.S. and M.S. in Ed. from C.M.S.U.

Ms. W.L. Rolfe replaced Mr. Ritter at mid-year. She has a BS from Ark. Univ. and MSU from CMSU.

Mr. Ritter was given a M*A*S*H party when he left Ray-Pec to become a policeman. He was given a whistle (shown) and a hat with a red siren on top.





Playing the piano for the choir, Mr. Orr strives for perfection as contest time rolls around. This year he was rewarded with four out of five choirs receiving honor I ratings.

CONNIE SINGLETON
Basic Ed. classes. She has a B.S.E. in Ed. and a M.S.E. in Ed. from CMSU.

KELLY SMITH
Civics, World Hist., and Amer. Hist. Jr. Class Spon., asst. volleyball, asst. boy's basketball, and 8th grade track coach. B.S. in Ed. from CMSU.

LARRY WALTON
World Hist. and Psychology. Head track and head freshman football coach. B.S. in P.E. and Soc. Studies from Iowa State.

RODERICK YOUNG
Con. Band, Music Theo. and Comp. Stage Band and 9th Grade Band. Has a B.M.E. from Wichita State, and a M.A. and E.S. from CMSU.

Ms. Poppe, a new face at Ray-Pec

Ms. Susan F. Poppe, a new teacher at Raymore-Peculiar, has a widely diversified past and current interests to match. Raised with a father in the army, stationed in Korea, she considers herself an army brat. She has lived in several different states throughout the U.S. and at four years of age, she lived in Austria.

Mrs. Poppe attended the University of Missouri in Columbia for a degree in secondary education. Both her brothers were in the military, one through the ROTC and after six years is now in the National Guard and attending SMSU, and the other graduated seventh in his class at West Point. Nonetheless, she says, "I was indoctrated early into the army life, but I would never consider the military for myself. I wouldn't even teach within the armed forces unless, of course, I had a husband in the military."

Ms. Poppe, a new member of the English department, sits making lesson plans during second hours.

More recently, Ms. Poppe taught the in-school-suspension program at Center Middle School for five years before coming here to join our English department. She also sponsors the freshman class.

Divorced for two years, Ms. Poppe stays busy with her two sons John (13) and Carl (9). "When I'm not washing team uniforms, I'm ushering them from place to place," she says. She also enjoys tennis, horseback riding, baseball, volleyball, and many other sports.

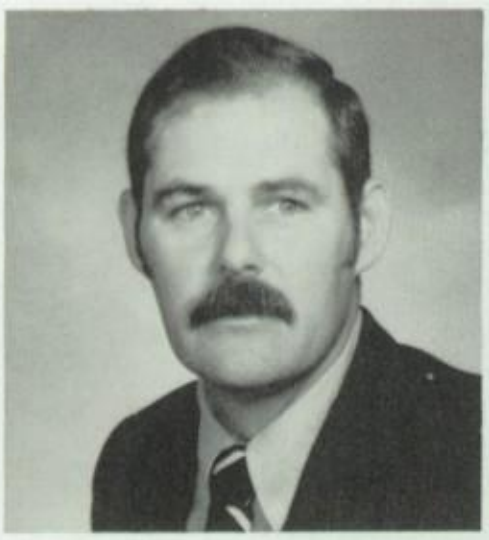
"I really enjoy Ray-Pec. The teachers and administrators are very friendly," she says. - Ron McKeown

Donald Shull, superintendent

John Dean, asst. superintendent

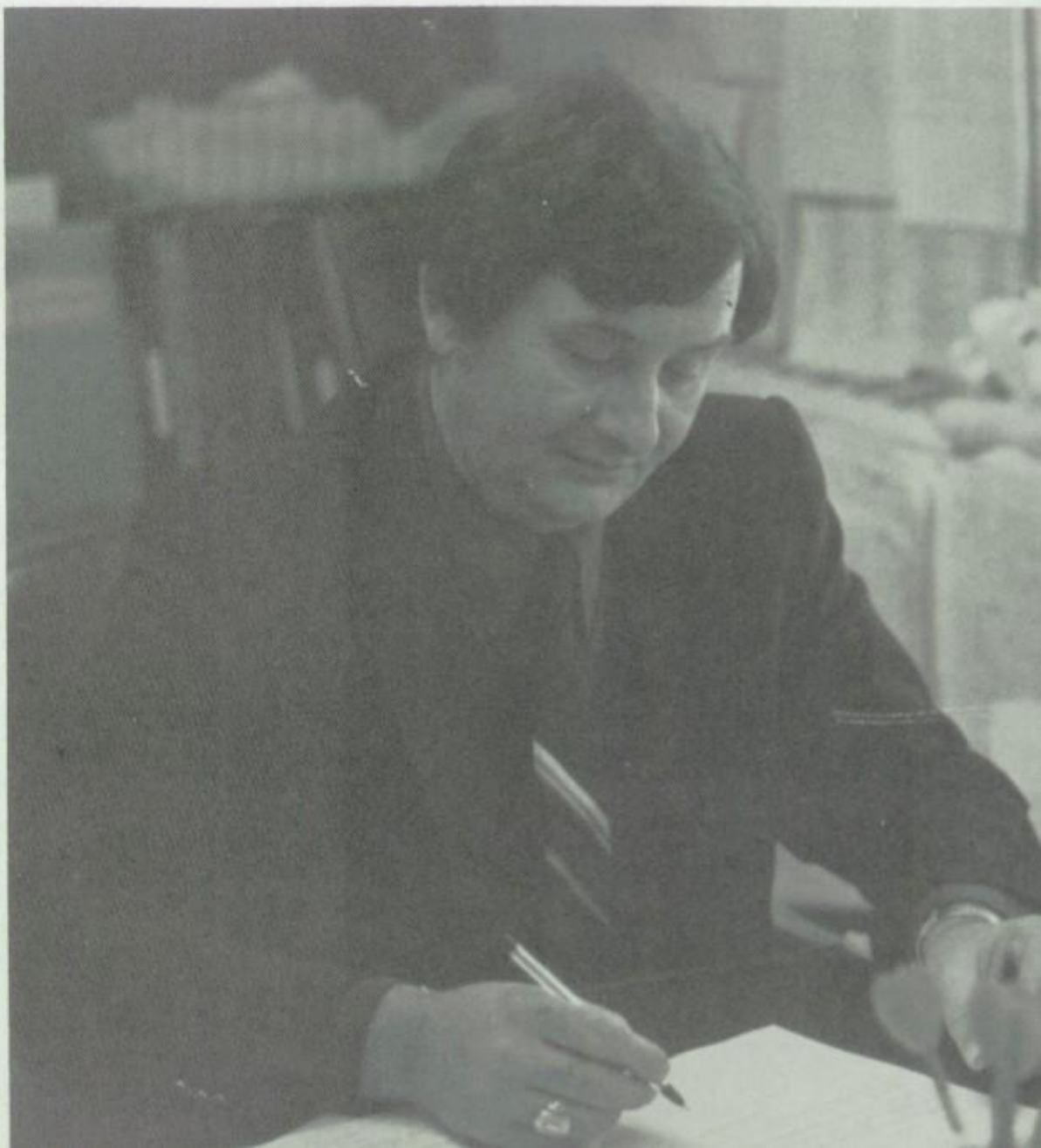
Mr. Shull shows that there is much paperwork to be completed as superintendent.

Roger Rankin, principal



George Lewis, vice-principal

Writing letters of recommendation for seniors is only part of Mr. Rankin's job.



School Board establishes new policies

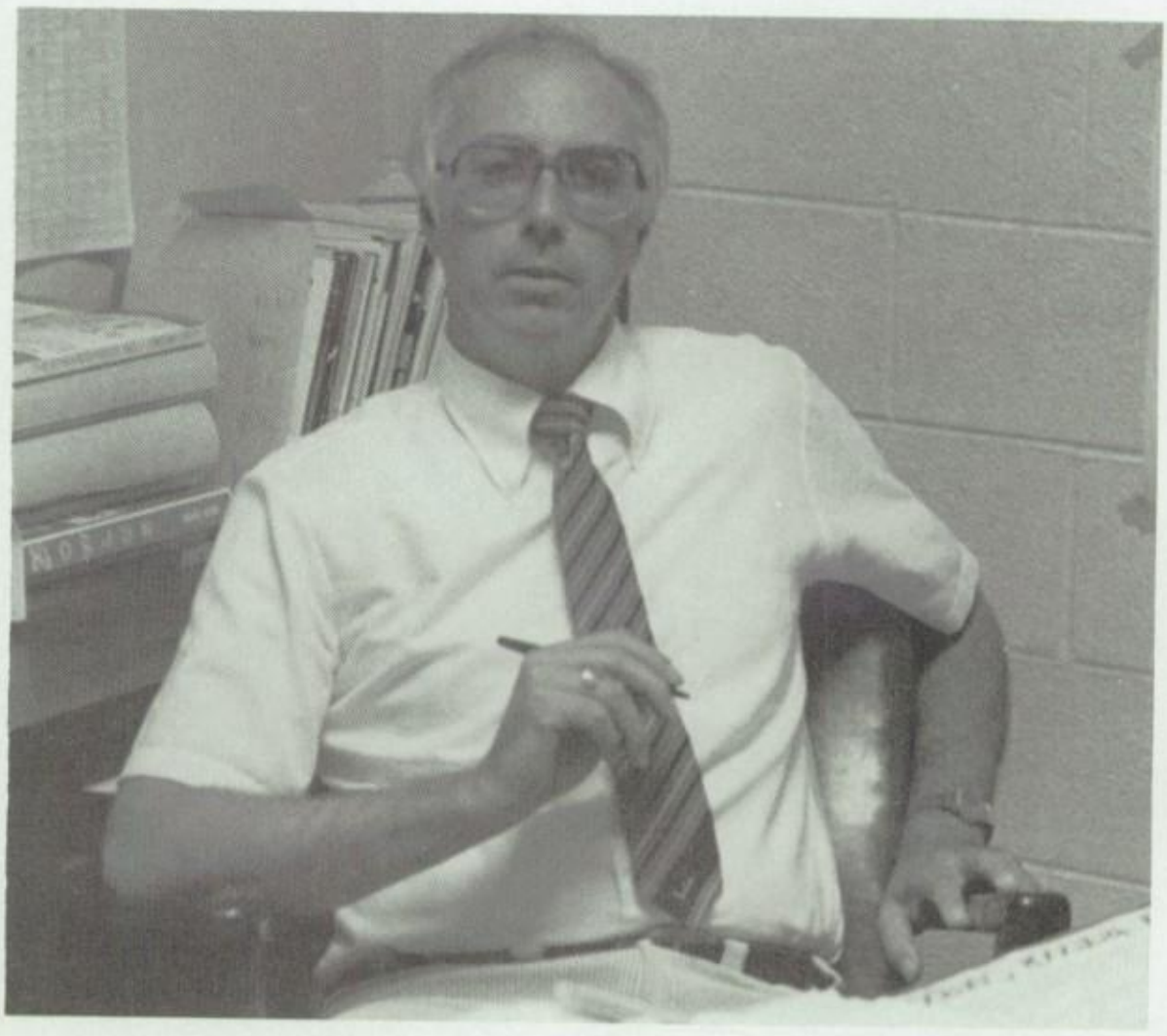
A major happening with this year's School Board was the untimely death of Dr. Wayne Galeski. Mr. Galeski, Vice-president of the School Board, was killed Thursday, December 9 in a car accident. Mr. Joe Strobl was appointed in his place until the completion of Mr. Galeski's term.

When questioned about the actions of our School Board this year, Mr. Shull, superintendent, said, "Progress-the key word-working many long and unpaid hours are these members of the Raymore-Peculiar Board of Education." This year, along with assuring that the school year was run as smoothly as possible, a major accomplishment was the adoption of a new Board of Education "Policies and Regulations."

The Board believes that the school district belongs to the people who it is created to serve. It is also the Board's philosophy to respond to the needs and concerns of the community, and to work closely with school patrons.

School Board Members: Roy Christy, Terry Crabtree, Joe Strobl, Bearl Dean, Jr., Sandy Arnall. Standing, Donald Shull, and John Dean (Gary Lee, not pictured).

Mr. Lewis shakes hands with a student after administering the proper punishment.



Mr. Dean takes time out from his work on the bus transportation schedules.

Nancy Meiron
Secretary

Writing admit slips is just part of the busy morning routine of Mrs. Tokarz.

Naomi Hey
Admin. Secretary

Ethel Preator
Mr. Rankin's Secretary

Mrs. Houchen pauses for a smile as she figures the school payroll. She came to work as an administrative secretary in August.

Gayle Willis
District Secretary

Barbara Tokarz
Mr. Lewis's Secretary

Judy Houchen
Admin. Secretary

Joyce Kenagy
Counselor's Secretary

Charlotte Lininger
Cafeteria Cashier

Cooks: Row 1: Mildred Sanders, Mildred Davis, Wilma Haas, Deloris Irvin, Merle Rogers, Colleen Johnston. Row 2: Cindy Shanahan, Betty Galloway, Debbie Quarles, Ann Forrester, Judy Wareham. Row 3: Patty Winchel, Jan Strohmeryer, Leota Sallee. (NP) Leta Inman, Carolyn Foster, Blanche Williams.

Miss Piggy came to help out in the kitchen, as Betty Galloway showed her Halloween spirit. Wilma Haas serves up the peas.

Custodians: Berry Owsley, Red Nasalroad, Bill Washam, Joe Patty. (NP) Larry Sanders, Corinine Merckley.

Granny, as Dolly Parton, pays a visit to Mr. Rankin on Halloween of 1981.

Granny: matriarch of the Ray-Pec kitchen staff

Mrs. Mildred Sanders, better known as Midge or Granny, celebrated her eightieth birthday on March 25. This year also marked her twentieth year on the kitchen staff at Raymore-Peculiar.

She has, over the years, served the students, not only by helping to prepare their lunches, but by entertaining them with a variety of costumes, such as a rabbit, an elf, Mrs. Santa, and Dolly Parton.

Mrs. Sanders has been at Ray-Pec since before the school board began running the lunch program. "It's improved a lot since then," she said. "We used to dip out of big kettles." Mrs. Sanders worked mostly at Peculiar Elementary and has served for the last six years at the high school.

The name "Granny" originated when she had several of her own grandchildren attending the elementary. Because they called her Granny as they went through the lunch line, she became an "adopted grandmother" to many other children as well. "The children have always been lovely. At the end of the school year, the little ones used to kiss us goodbye," said Mrs. Sanders, who has five children and thirty-two biological grandchildren.

When asked if there was anything she would have changed during her eighty years of life, she answered, "I wouldn't have had so many birthdays."

-By Ron McKeown

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SENIORS, SENIORS, SENIORS!!!!

Seniors face their future

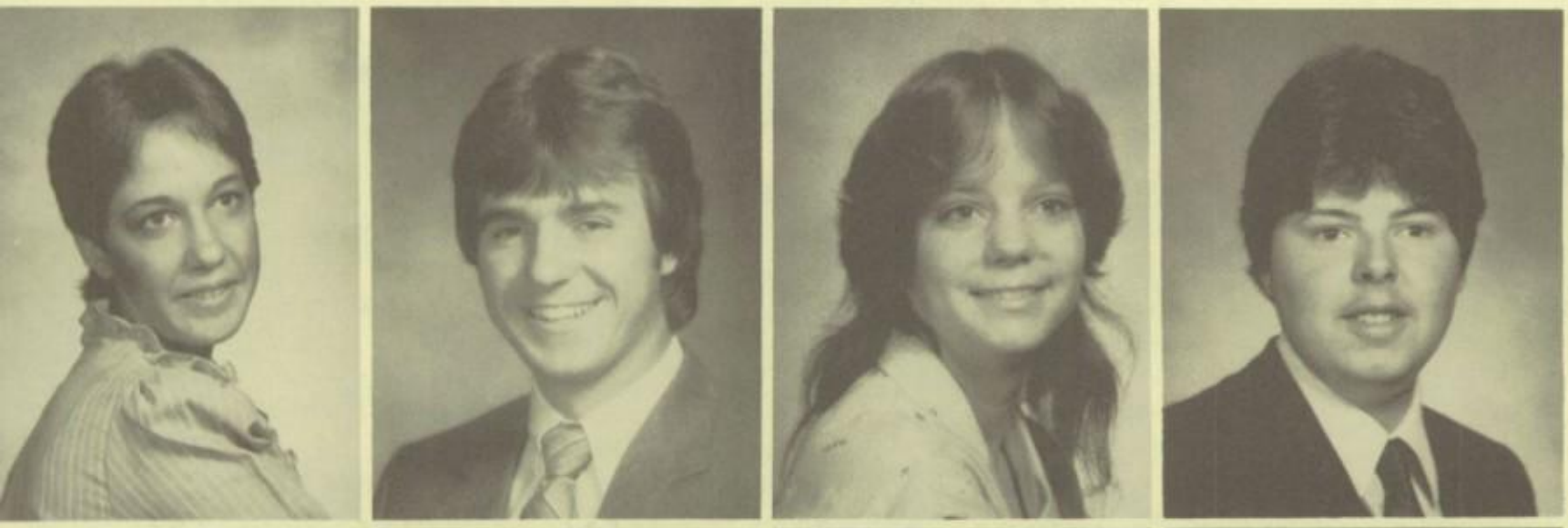
Your best friend is showing off her engagement ring, your boyfriend was offered three scholarships, your friends have applied to two or more colleges and everyone from your parents to your dog seems to peer at you with the unspoken question: "And what are you going to do after graduation??"

Leaving high school is still a time for caps, gowns, and congratulations, but it also signals the start of decision making, responsibility, independance, finding out who you are and, for a majority of the seniors, leaving home for the first time.

Many seniors feel somewhat "scared" to leave the all to familiar high school they have been attending for the last four years. To them, leaving high school and going out into the real world is hard and they fear that no one outside of their high school will like them. Even the high school popularity queen or the star of all sports may worry when leaving their turf. What carried their clout at high school may not put them into the limelight of the real world.

For better or worse, your senior year may have defined you as the class brain or the class jerk. Of course if it was a bad experience for you, you may look at graduating as being very hopeful. In college or the working world, no one knows you or has any already preconceived ideas about your personality. Qualities like individuality or intelligence, which may have made you an outcast in high school, can be your ticket to opportunity and new friendships wherever you may go!

— Lisa Bryan



Debbie Allen
Jon Ament
Sherry Andrist
Chris Barnes

Dale Barnes
John Barningham
Tammy Baum
Sue Beard

Kevin Bearden
Carol Berry
Russell Bohrer

Hans Booker
David Bowen

Alan Brewster
Janelle Brewster

Jerry Brokaw
Pat Brooks

With diploma in hand,

1 A diploma in hand does not assure a graduate abundant knowledge. For example, how many seniors could recall the meaning of these foreign phrases?

Coup de grace (koo de grahss'): This is the stroke of mercy; the death blow delivered to someone who is mortally wounded. It can also be defined as any finishing or decisive blow. For instance, the coup de grace may be administered to a dying romance by showing up at a school dance with someone else.

2

Fait accompli (fet a-kim-plee'): Meaning something already done, an accomplished fact. Fighting is useless. Upon asking your teacher what you can do to raise your grade and she replies "Nothing. It is a fait accompli.", you know you are sunk. Che sara' sara'.

Scientific concepts present themselves in another field possibly unknown to a large percentage of seniors. Which of these is familiar?

3

Centrifugal force: We all know the ride at Worlds of Fun which magnetizes us to the walls and causes us to lose our lunch. This is caused by outward pressure and is centrifugal- or "center-fleeing"-force. It also affects laundry during the spin cycle, your body's position in the car seat when veering sharply to the left, and is the reason no water falls on your head when swinging a bucket of water in a clock-wise motion over your head.

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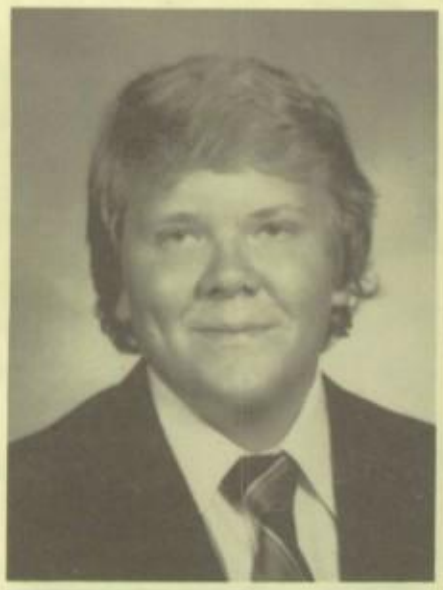
Periodic table: This is a composite of all 105 known chemical elements. It gives, in seven rows and eighteen columns, their vital statistics, which is related to which and which ones will flirt with which at lab parties.



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Greg Brown

Paula Brown
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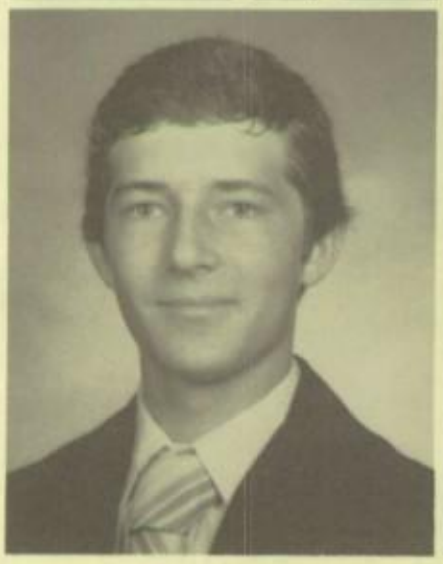
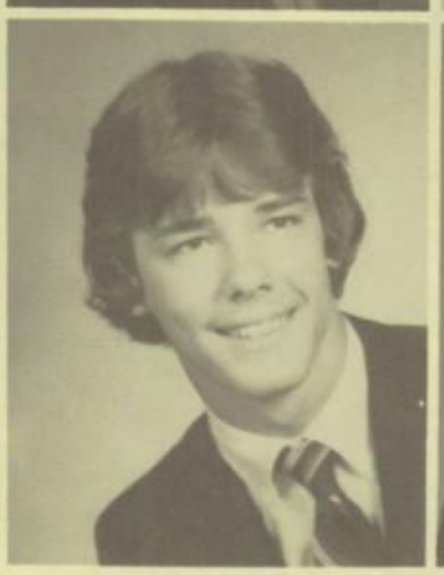
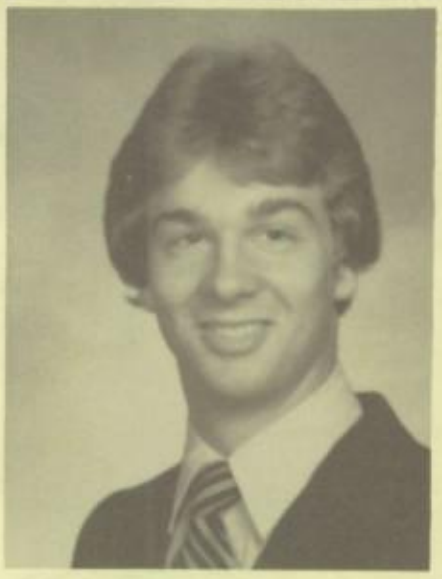
Jackie Buschhorn
David Buttrum







Susan Byram
Dana Calogne
Mike Campbell

does a senior know all?

5 Art being a required course, could possibly have impressed upon every student an era of art called Surrealism, (if they did their homework). A well known artist of this time.

Rene' Magritte, 1935: Surrealists such as this tried to achieve a "super" realism by combining elements that, on a better day, would never had united. An eye in the middle of a ham steak is a good example.

6 Deceptive looking adjectives confused many a senior in English classes. Examples of these with mistaken identities are:

Restive: Impatient or nervous, under restriction or delay; unruly. This is often mistaken for restless which is how you feel if you're bored and don't know what to do with yourself.

7 Tortuous: This has nothing to do with sadism or agony, unlike torturous. It simply means full of twists and turns, such as those in the Crookedest Street in the World, located in San Francisco.

8 Gnomic: No, this does not describe a little, wrinkled person with curled up toes who lives in the ground. Instead, it means characterized by or expressive of pithy or meaningful wisdom.

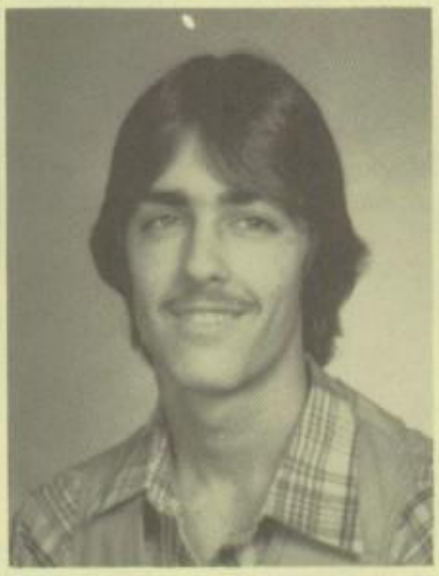
by Chris Collins

S-E-N-I-O-R-S!!!

John Cantrell
Billy Don Carter
Dan Casey
Bill Cawood

Chuck Chaffin
Christy Cobb
Marcella Cobb
Chris-Anne Collins

Rusty Collins
Jim Corbett
Landa Culley
Kimberly Davis



Tab William Davis
Jimmy Dean
Thomas Deville
Rita Diefenbach

n sports her "Indian Warrior" at-

Professional pictures were taken for Susan's portfolio.

As the dance styles were always different, Susan liked the jazz numbers best.

A star is born!

"The best part is before the curtain goes up! Everyone is getting into their places and the band is warming up and all the cast is just jamming and going crazy!" For many of you that didn't know, Susan Byram was a dancer at the Tivoli Music Hall at Worlds of Fun. Susan has made the cast two years in a row now, beating out over 700 other ambitious performers.

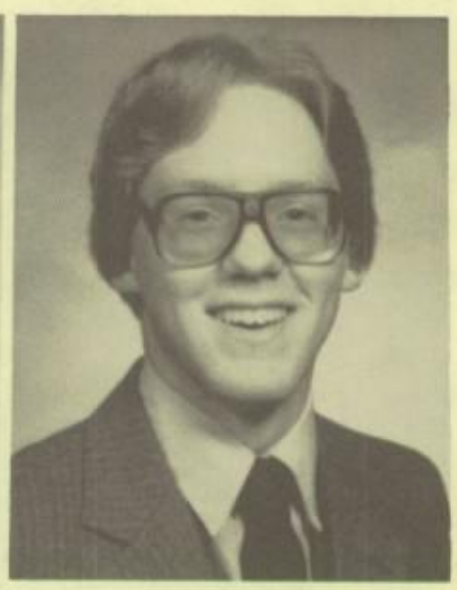
Susan confided that in all the chaos of a performance, the hardest part were the changes of clothes. Susan had a personal dresser to zip her up and get her ready for stage, though.

"The first day of rehearsals everyone was just staring at each other thinking, "How am I going to be able to work with these people?" Susan stated. But she said that the cast was like a big family. "We were all very close and it was sad when a few of the other members didn't make the cast again this year."

Susan's only regret last year was that she didn't see much of the park. "It was really wierd. I was there 6 days a week and during the entire season I only rode the Orient Express twice!" Her biggest gripe about the park was all the security to get in. "You'd think that after a while they would know who you were. Not everyone walks into the park with 6 costumes, wigs, and a bag of makeup, but they'd still insist on seeing your pass."

Susan concluded by saying, "Everyone all year long was just living for the last show, but when it actually happened it was all very emotional. We cried during the entire performance, but it was the best we'd ever done.

--- Lisa Bryan



Shannon Donahue
Linda Downen
Sheila Emery
John Ferrel

Michael Finke
Vera Ford
Debbie Gaston
Scott Gillespie

"... the kid isn't mere talk!"

"My biggest goal is to show this school that the kid isn't mere talk! I basically want chins to drop," said senior Bill Saunders.

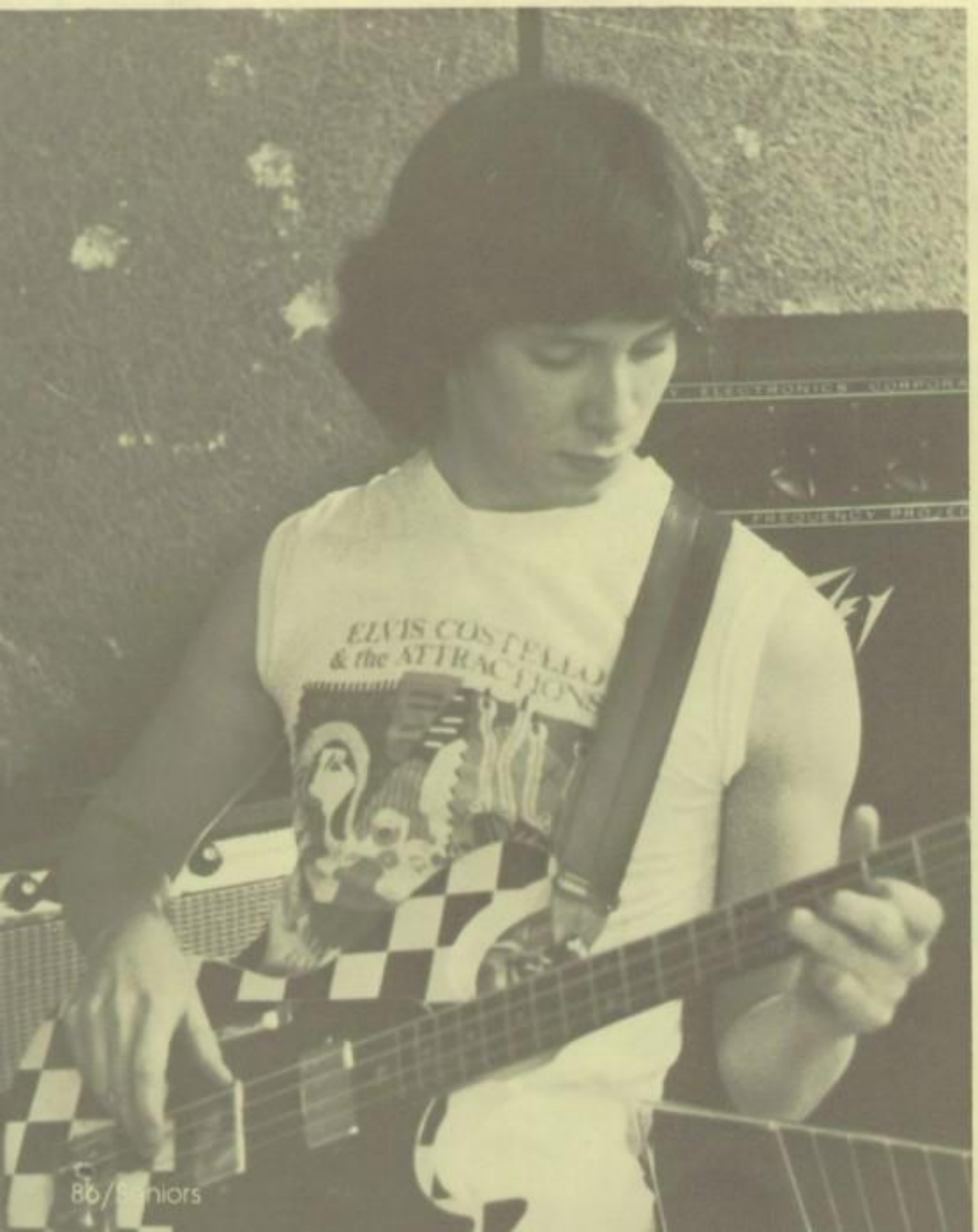
Bill centers his school and home life around music. A typical day for him includes stage band, music theory, concert band, and evenings of hard practice. He's been playing music since junior high and says he wished to continue long after high school. This means the possibility of studying bass guitar at Charlie Parker Academy of the Arts and/or the UMKC Conservatory of Music.

The Tease, a three member band which was put together for the NHS Talent Gong Show, included Bill on the guitar and lead singing.

"I attribute much of my devotion to music to the patience of Mr. Young," said Bill. "He has lots of confidence in me."

Bill's attitude is that of "no guts, no glory." He said, "The attitude that I get from many people is why are you playing that rock music? They always want me to learn a trade. I feel that I've got to take a chance (with music). What ever happened to that motto 'no guts', no glory'? Well, I'm here to tell you that I have still got it. Do what is going to make you happy. The world needs more happy people."

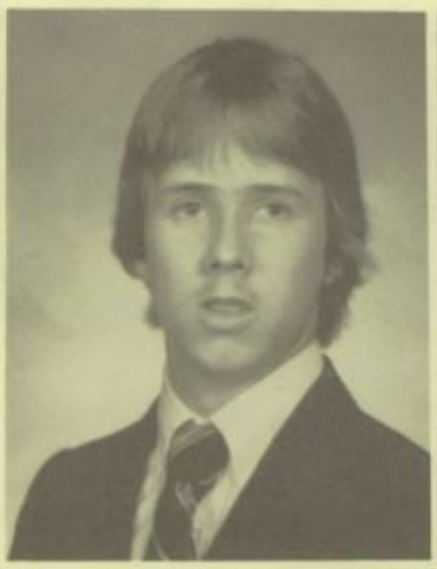
Chris Collins



Bill warms up on his guitar before practice.

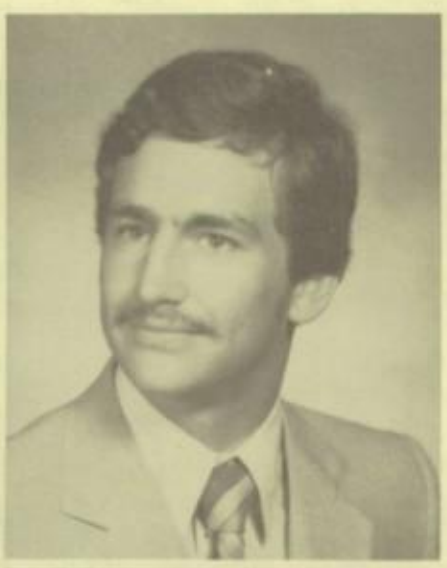
This is Bill, an avid supporter of music.

Carol Gorman



Jim Green

Steve Grimes



Tim Grossman

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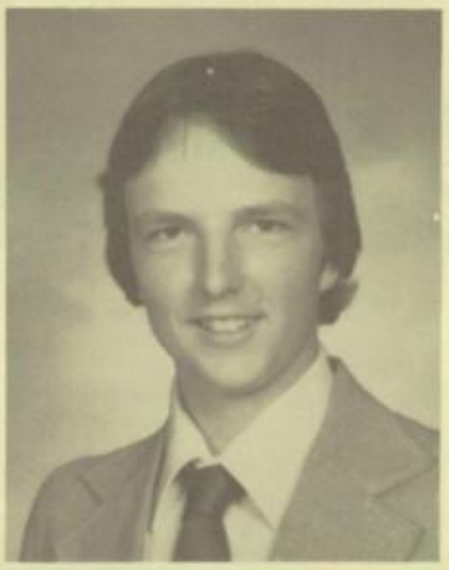
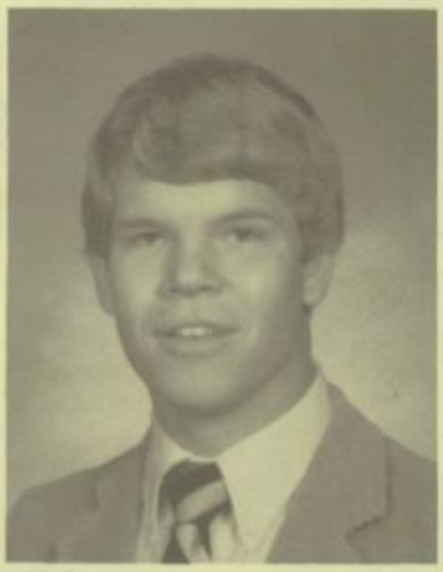


Kevin Hartley

Norman Holloway



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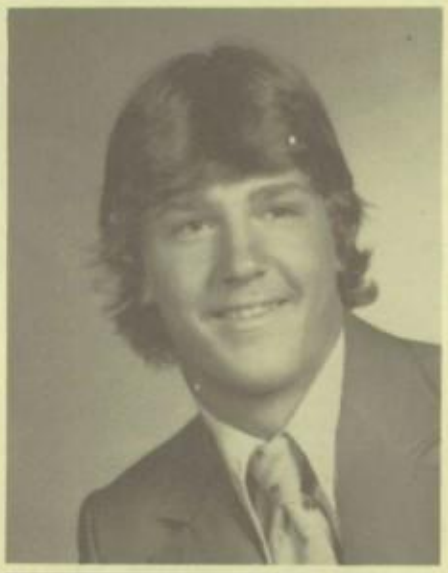

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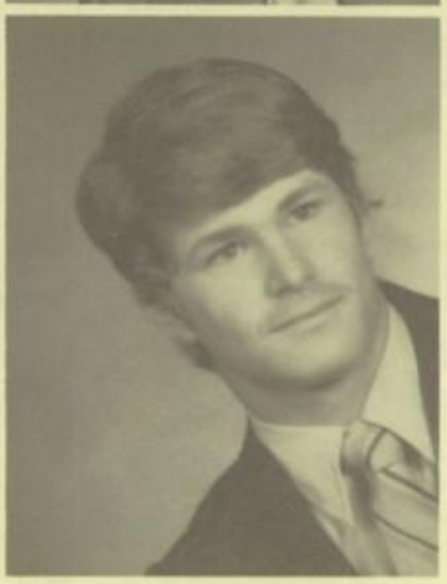
Becky Irvin

Cecilia Iseman

Kim Johnson



Wesley Johnson

Seniors show big

Pranks .. laughter .. remembering .. getting into trouble .. skip day .. graduation .. parties prom .. planning .. All of these things share a common occurance-they made you smile. A person's senior year brought many, many smiles and for many reasons, too.

Hopes for the future and memories of the past brought smiles. It was a time for reflecting on all of the things that happened during the course of four years of high school and of planning all of the things that will happen after graduation. — Lisa Bryan

Shelley Littleton: "You want to take MY picture?"

Jon Ament, our Stu-Co president grins he sports his Bing Crosby party hat.

Sherry Jones

Dean Kearney
Steve Kitson
Mike Koder
Kathy Kottenbrock

Kathy Kowalzyck
Craig Lafferty
Rhonda Landon
Gerry Lawless

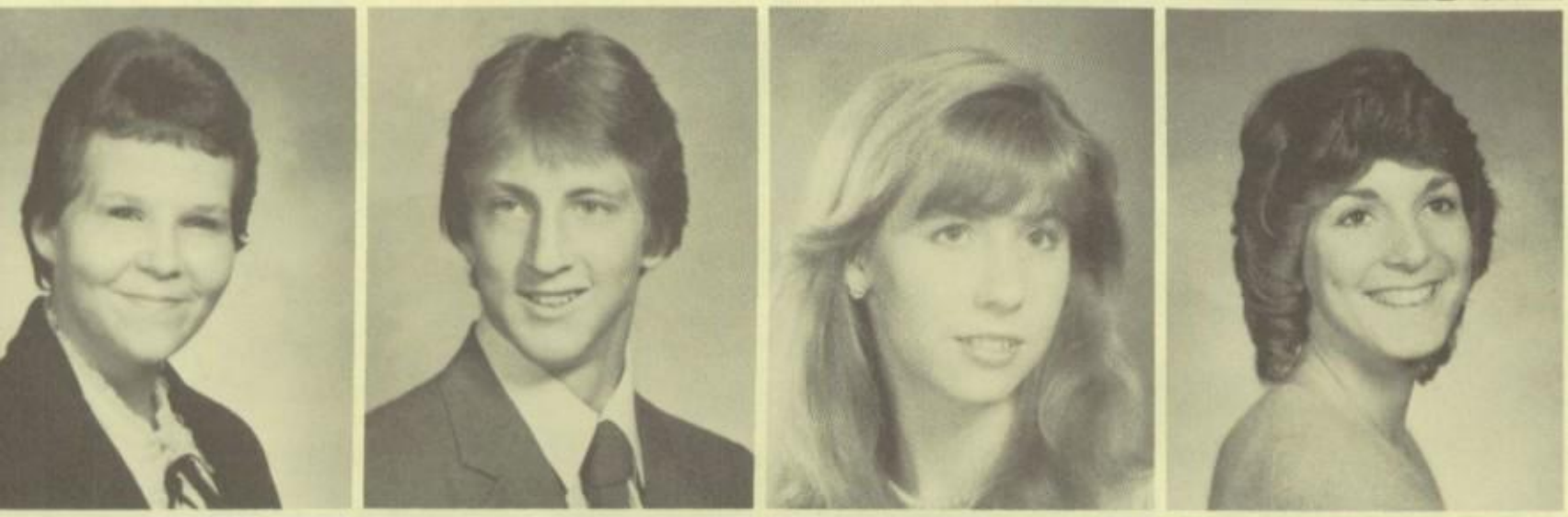
Brownie smiles!!!

e Campbell, proving to be far from camera
, smiles pretty in between his classes.

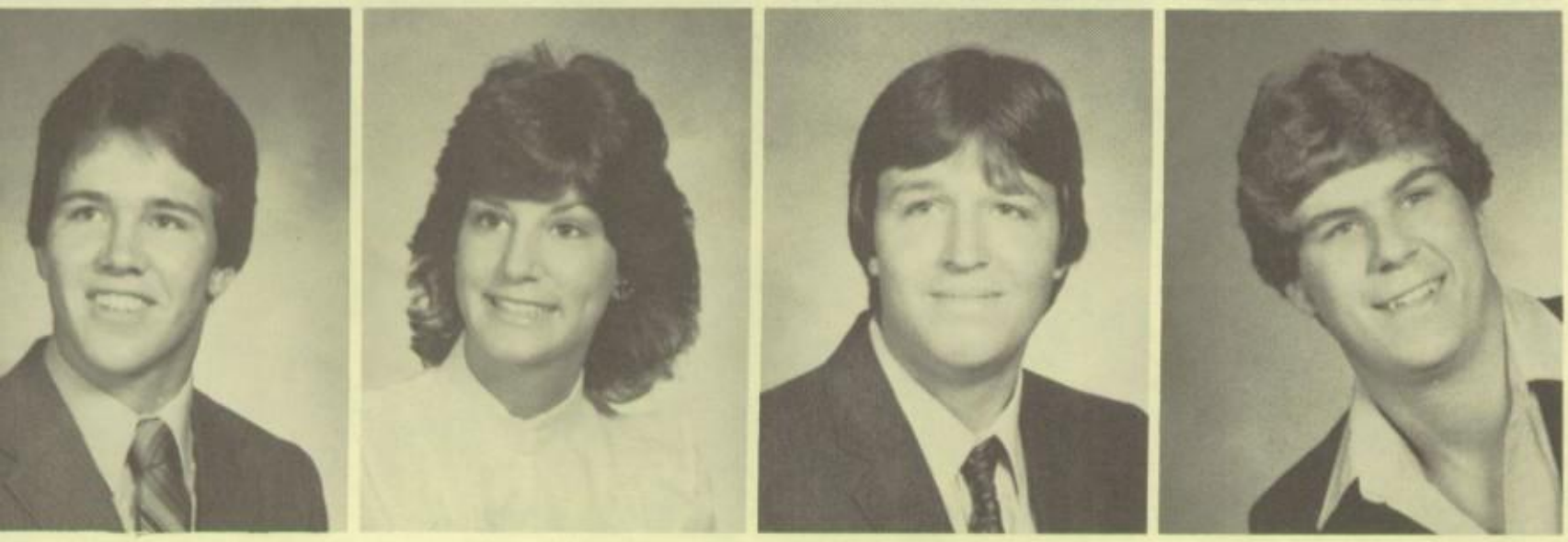
"Take my picture FAST!!" Kenny Stuart.

Kirsty Stewart, our AFS student watches a volleyball game.

Delana Lee



Donna Leiber
Gordie Light
Nancy Linscott
Shelley Littleton



David Loney
Ann Maley
Mark Mather
Rick McCauley

On-hands office training

Despite the anonymity of Lester Hill, eleven clerical and secretarial students work for him under the Lester Hill Corporation.

Putting themselves into office situations, these girls, under the guidance of Mrs. Metheny, simulate the daily routine of office positions.

Students are assigned to different departments: sales, warehouse, traffic, accounting, and general and secretarial manager.

After having mastered the skills of using office machines, office procedures, legal reports, mailable letters, etc., clerical students are then interviewed and hired to work for Lester Hill.

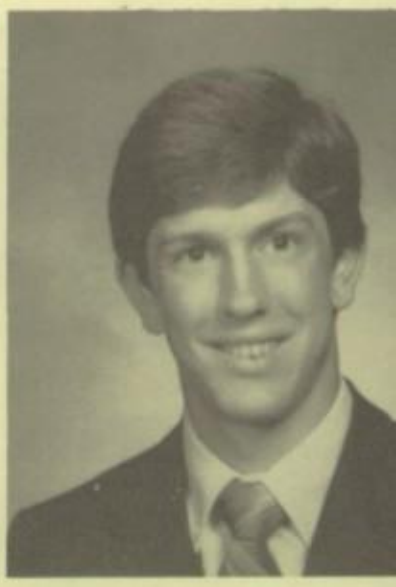
Secretarial students differ from clerical by raising speeds from Shorthand I, and correcting punctuation. They too are interviewed and hired to work for Lester Hill.

"Even though I personally don't know the fictitous Lester, he seems a relatively warm person," said Lisa Schroer. — Chris Collins

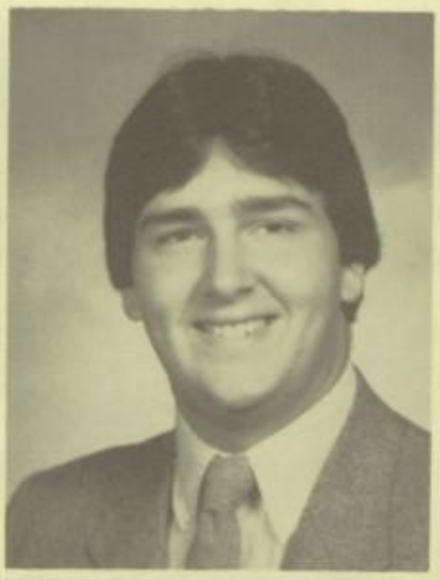
Dawn, Debbie, and Nicole go on about their office work.

"Clerical practice is good experience. It will help me get a job because I'll be able to say I've had the experiences in an office situation. — Tammy Turner

Sherrie McCauley
Darrell McCoy
Mike McKenzie
Ron McKeown

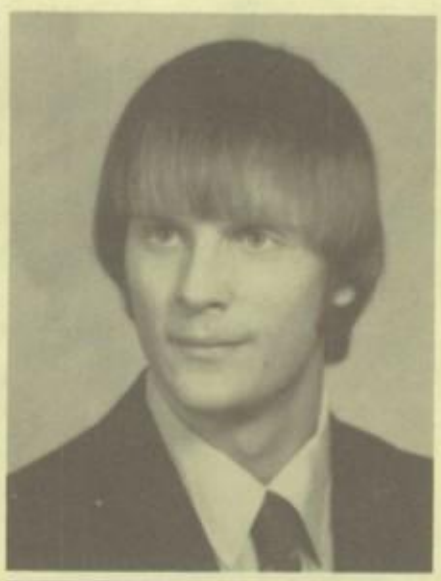


Nicole McLain



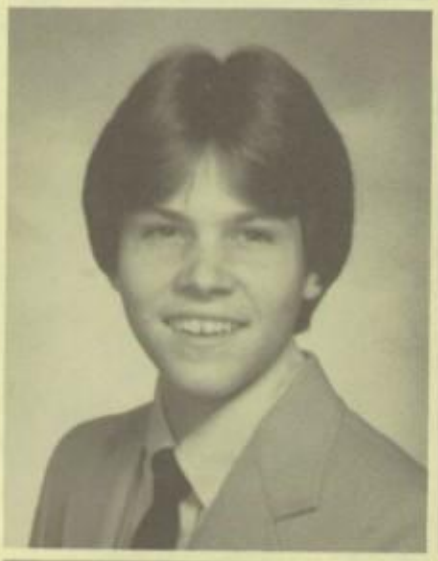
Kelly McLaughlin

Shannon McWilliams



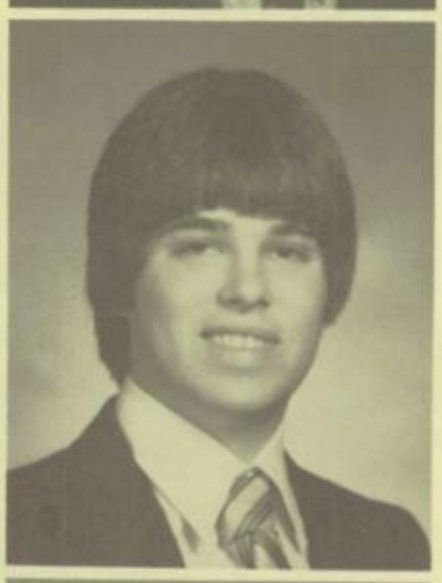
Mitch Meiron

Brenda Messmer



Jeff Mocker

April Montgomery



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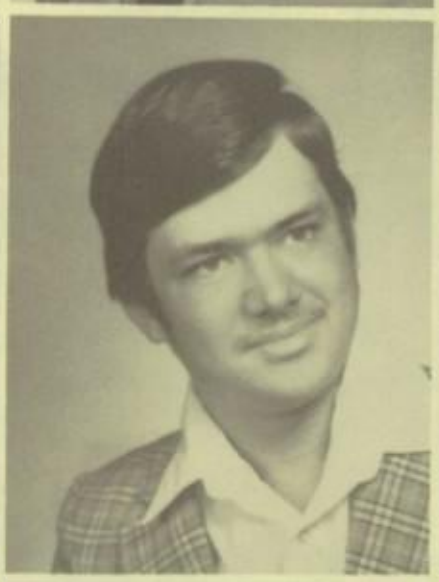
Doug Moses



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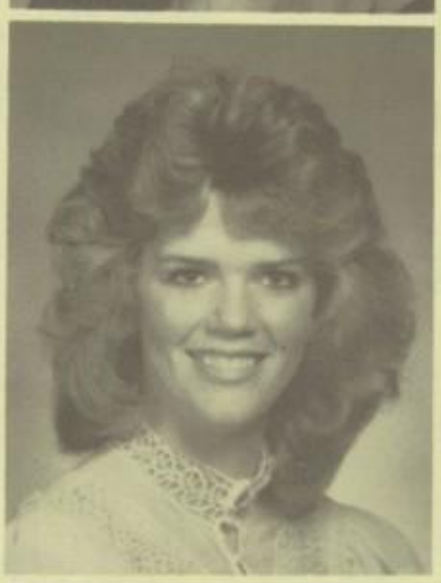

Dana Ober

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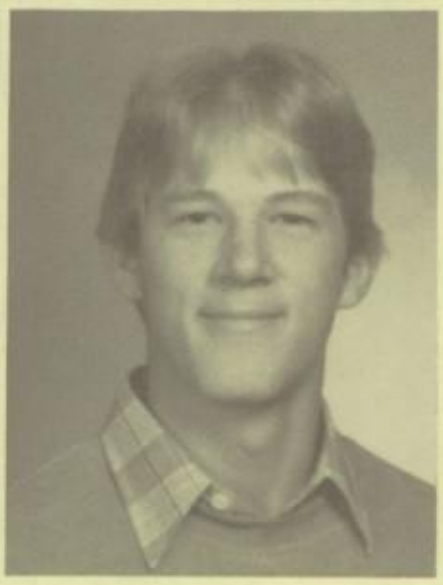
Tammy Pearce

Pam Plunkett



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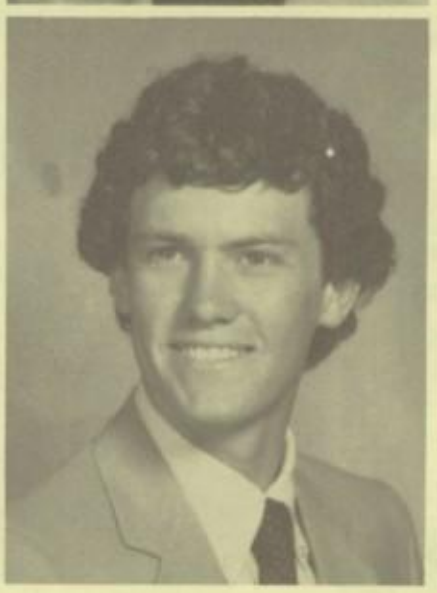
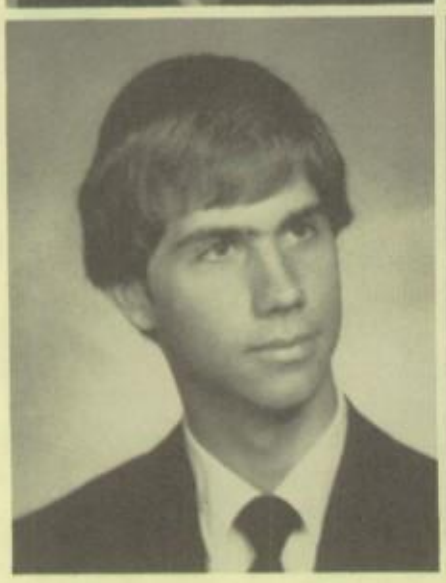


Terry Porter

Mike Raisback
Heather Raw
Scott Reed
Deanna Reser

Mark Reynolds
Shawna Ridenour
Rick Rogers
Glenn Sanford



Shelley Littleton dines on the cruise ship the S.S. Norway as it travels through the waters of the Caribbean.

In front of the Nelson Art Gallery in Kansas City, Tammi Thiele: "Wouldn't I make a good statue."

Bill Sanders
Bernard Scholz
Lisa Schroer
Rick Selph

Terri Shrout
Glenda Sloan
Eric Slover
Alisa Smith

Danny Smith

A girl that was always happy'

miling Stacie O'Kelley on a tire
ng in the front yard of her home.

Stacie O'Kelley was born September 29, 1965 in Tacoma, Washington. She died June 5, 1982 at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Kansas City of pulmonary failure due to cystic fibrosis.

Cystic fibrosis is a genetic disease in which the mucus of the body is thick instead of thin and clogs the organs such as the lungs and pancreas instead of lubricating them.

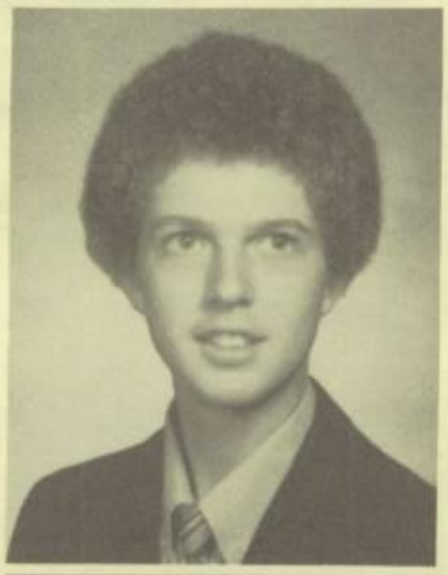
Stacie was diagnosed with Cystic firbrosis in August of 1974. As a direct result from the cystic fibrosis Stacie encountered other problems such as sugar diabetes, cirrhosis of the liver, and ulcers.

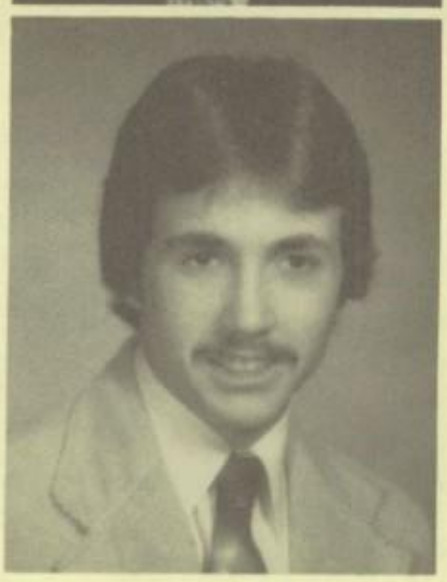
The hospital became a second home to Stacie. Three days before her death she asked to see all of the nurses. As the nurses lined up in her room and into the corridor, Stacie told them "good bye".

At school Stacie participated in health occupations at Vo-Tech and the Drama Club. In April of 1982 Stacie received the dedication award from the Drama Club.

"Stacie was a girl that was always happy and full of joy. Those of us who knew her realized what an asset she was to our senior class. Stacie will always be remembered to those of us who knew her best," commented John Cantrell.

-Mary Gunter





Troy Smith

Charles Spears
Debbie Speer
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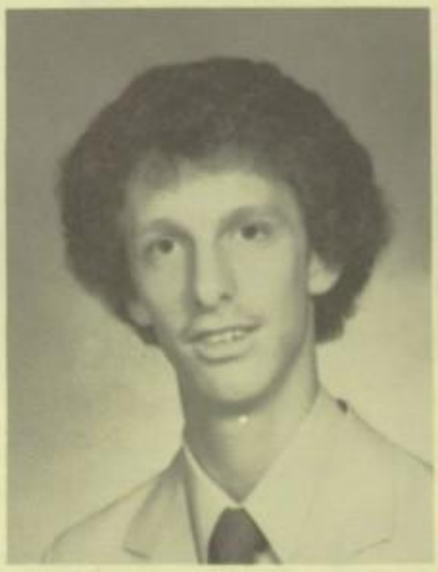
Sherri Stanley
Tina Steinke
Kirsty Stewart
Adam Stout

Dawn Stowe
Stephanie Stroup
Kenneth Stuart
Terri Sullivan



Lonny Taylor
Verna Taylor
Tammi Thiele
Rhonda Thomason

Tara Titus
Elizabeth Todd

lyweds, Terri Shrout and Rick Collins, follow tradition during ception that followed first hour's mock wedding, Friday, 15.

With this ring . . .

Family Relations class, for seniors, is one of the most popular classes of Ray-Pec's curriculum. Why? Well, the usual response to, "Why did you take Family Relations?" is "for the mock weddings."

The mock or pretend weddings have become a tradition at Ray-Pec, as this was the fourteenth year they were held. "Each wedding seems to get more and more elaborate," stated Miss Friedrich, the Family Relations teacher.

The class of '83 was the first to instigate double weddings and the family relations wedding collection has become quite extensive with additions of punch glasses, a pillow, a basket, a scrapbook, and a wedding dress and bridal veil.

All of the weddings are uniquely different. Some are incredibly real while others are quite comic.

While these weddings are fun the students experience what it is like to plan a real wedding and some of the problems encountered in engaging in the serious bond of matrimony.

After newlywed Lisa Bryan pledged her eternal love to Jon Ament on April 15 during seventh hour's mock wedding she stated, "I am glad there is such a thing as divorce."

-Mary Gunter

Skipping in the drizzle

"I had a great time. The Chinese fire drill in the middle of the lake was an experience worth remembering," said Chuck Chaffin commenting on Senior Skip Day.

Lake Jacomo welcomed the senior class May 12, with intervals of rain and mist. Many students found sport in volleyball, softball, throwing frisbee, fishing, hiking, and pouring ice water on unsuspecting victims. Glenn Sanford said, "It was so much fun, I got poison ivy."

Every so often, buses took students to Missouri Town and the marina. At the docks-seniors teased the ducks and rented a variety of boats. "I had fun trying to push Kevin Hartley over the side of the boat," said Adam Stout.

Everyone's hunger was satisfied with their fill of hamburgers cooked by Mr. McLain and Mr. Erickson, and junk food. Other teachers in attendance were senior class sponsors Mrs. Klein, Mrs. Benbow, and Mr. Coe.

The traditional "toss the principal into the lake" took place after noon. Due to the displacement of Mr. Rankins' dry clothes, he was forced to drive back to the high school soggy.

"It was interesting how we all acted as a class instead of our own little groups," said Renee Woods.

— Chris Collins

Chuck Chaffin, Mark Reynolds, Adam Stout, and John Barningham hesitate before venturing into the woods of Jacomo.

It's interesting how lake water affects Chris Collins. Rhonda Thomason keeps an eye out for boats.

Baiting his hook, Craig Lafferty prepares to fish off the bank of the lake.

Steve Tompkins

Shelly Totten

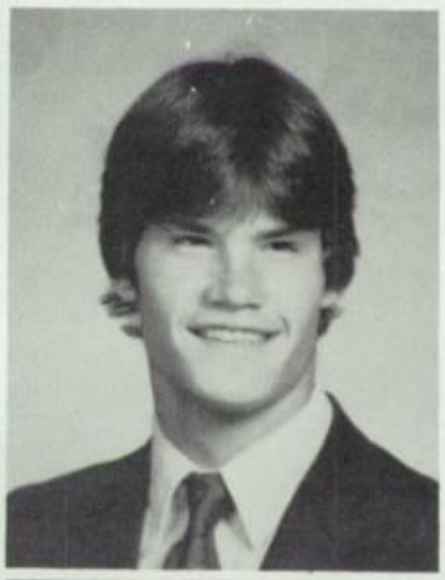
Tammy Turner

Martina Vogel

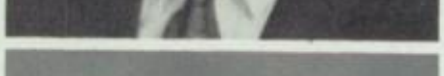
Mike Vogt

Cynthia Ward

Ron Wasmer



Raymond Watts



Whitney Wheeler

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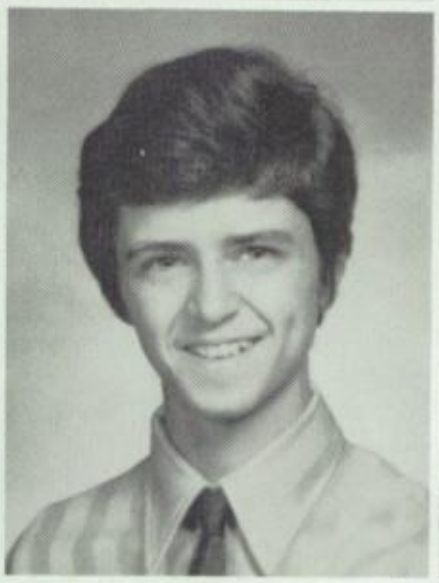
Kathy Willis

Deena Wilson

Randy Winchel

Renee Woods



Randy Woodward

Brent York

If friends could

"Keep in touch .... " These were often the last words heard from the seniors at graduation. But do they stay in touch? Many of you have been best friends since gradeschool and these kids have always been your friends, but now, as graduation approaches, many seniors reflect on their high school years realizing that they will probably never see half of their classmates again.

For some, leaving their friends is hard and often depressing. All year long the seniors have been counting the days until graduation, but when the time actually comes — it isn't a time of total rejoicing, but more of looking back on the things you've done and the friends you've made.

In this time of saying goodbye, when everyone goes their separate ways, the mementos, pictures, notes and feelings of high school will be able to last your entire lifetime. -Lisa Bryan

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1. After a water fight at McDonalds, some seniors pose on a ride from a nearby carnival. 2. David Loney and Tim Grossman are true friends forever. 3. Kevin Hartley, Jim Green, and Mike Raisbeck sport their "Shades"! 4. Ann Maley, Lisa Bryan, Dana Calogne, Randy Oakley, Bruce Brown and Ron McKeown build a pyramid in Happy Joes Pizza. 5. Craig Lafferty and Sarah Amerson use a study hall to *their* advantage. 6. Janelle Brewster and Paula Brown go over a menu in Foods class. 7. Kevin Bearden and Paula Brown — Are they fighting again??! 8. Ann Maley and Lisa Bryan pose in a shower with Ann's dog, Soo-Soo.

stay close forever . . . . . .

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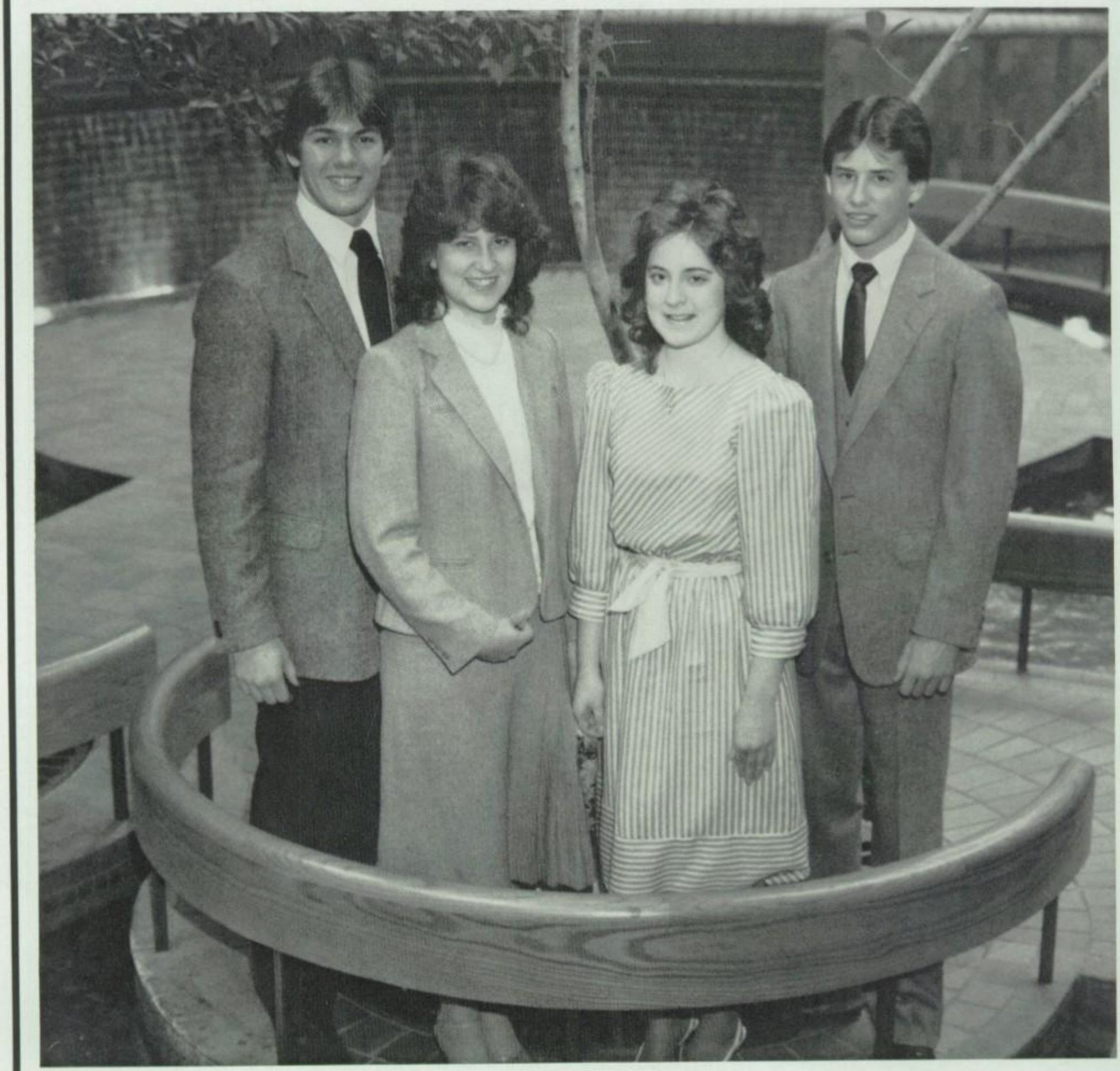
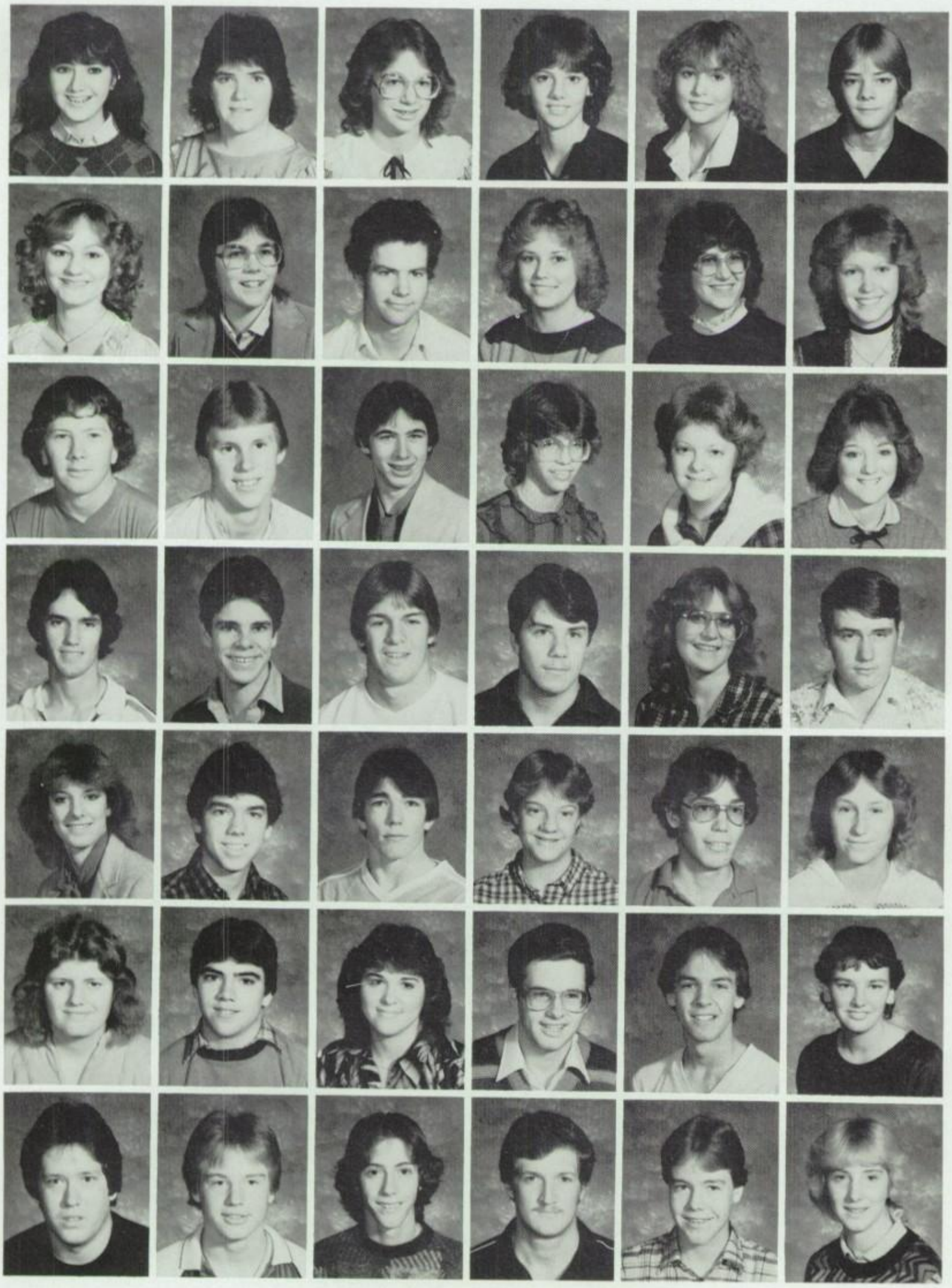
1. Martina and Kirsty, our AFS students. 2. Chris Collins and Rhonda Thomason go "twinkie"! 3. Beth Todd and Mary Gunter practice their pool. 4. Shannon McWilliams and Bruce Brown show affection. 5. Mitch Meiron, Mike Campbell and Rick McCauley have "muscles". 6. Jim Green and Jon Ament jam to the music. 7. Dale Barnes and Jimmy Dean flex for a picture. 8. Bill Saunders as .... Antonio DeVito!! 9. Steve Tompkins and Scott Willis go over an assignment in the library. 10. Ron McKeown escorts Alisa Smith down the aisle in a mock wedding.

Junior Royalty

Homecoming attendant, Chris Barnes, Snowball, Mary Aldrich (Not Pictured) and Roger Brattin; Courtwarming, Chris Hey and Mark Kahl.





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Sandra Barningham

Greg Barton
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Jeff Bixler
Marti Blosser
Tracy Bourland
Jayleen Brachman

Melvin Bradley
David Bramell
Roger Brattin
John Brent
Lesa Breshears
John Brewer

Becky Brown
Bruce Brown
Duane Brown
Laurie Brown
Kelly Broyles
Debbie Brumbaugh

Karen Bryant
Mike Buffon
Angela Campbell
Kyle Carpenter
Doug Carter
Delleda Cason

Lloyd Chrisman
Kevin Christy
Rusty Collins
Jeff Cooper
Jeff Corbin
Michelle Cox

Bill Cunningham
Susie Debrot
Brian Deihl
Terry DeVille
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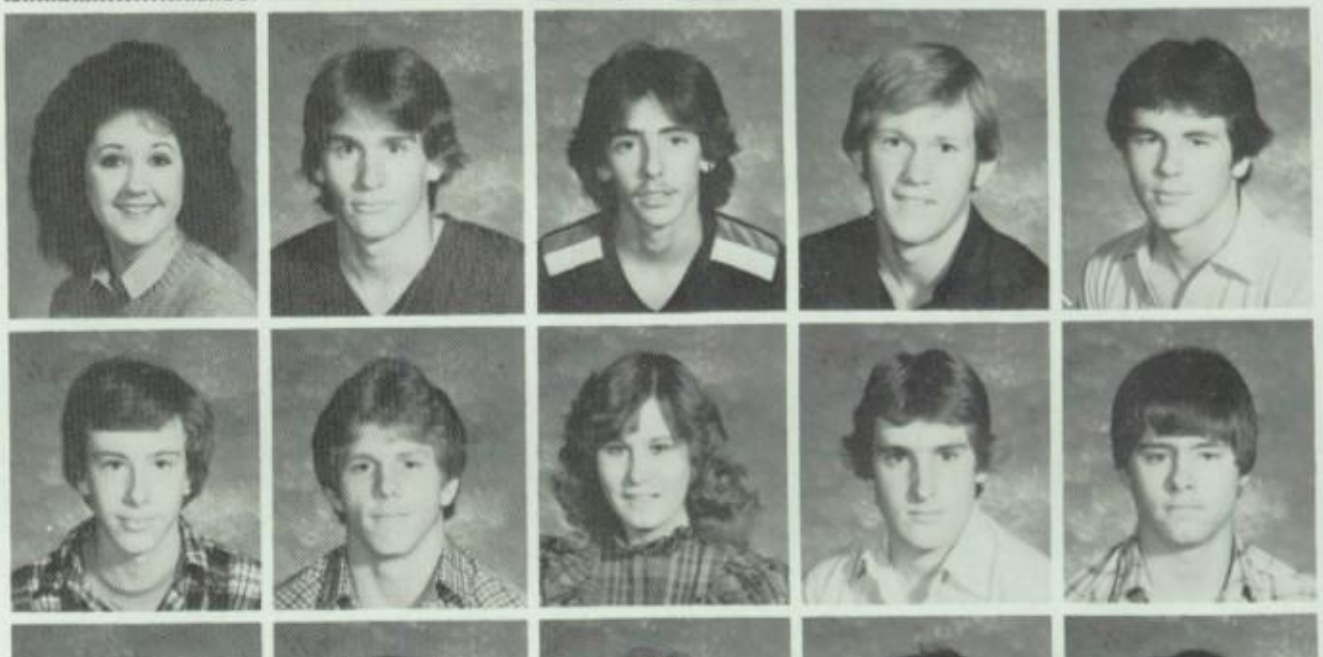

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Steve Frisbee
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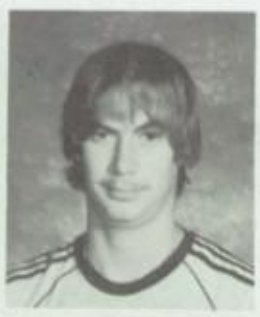
Terry Gillespie
John Gordon
Diana Greene
Heath Grimes

Mark Files and Randy Oakley work on the giant rainbow for prom.



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George Gurnett
David Haeberle

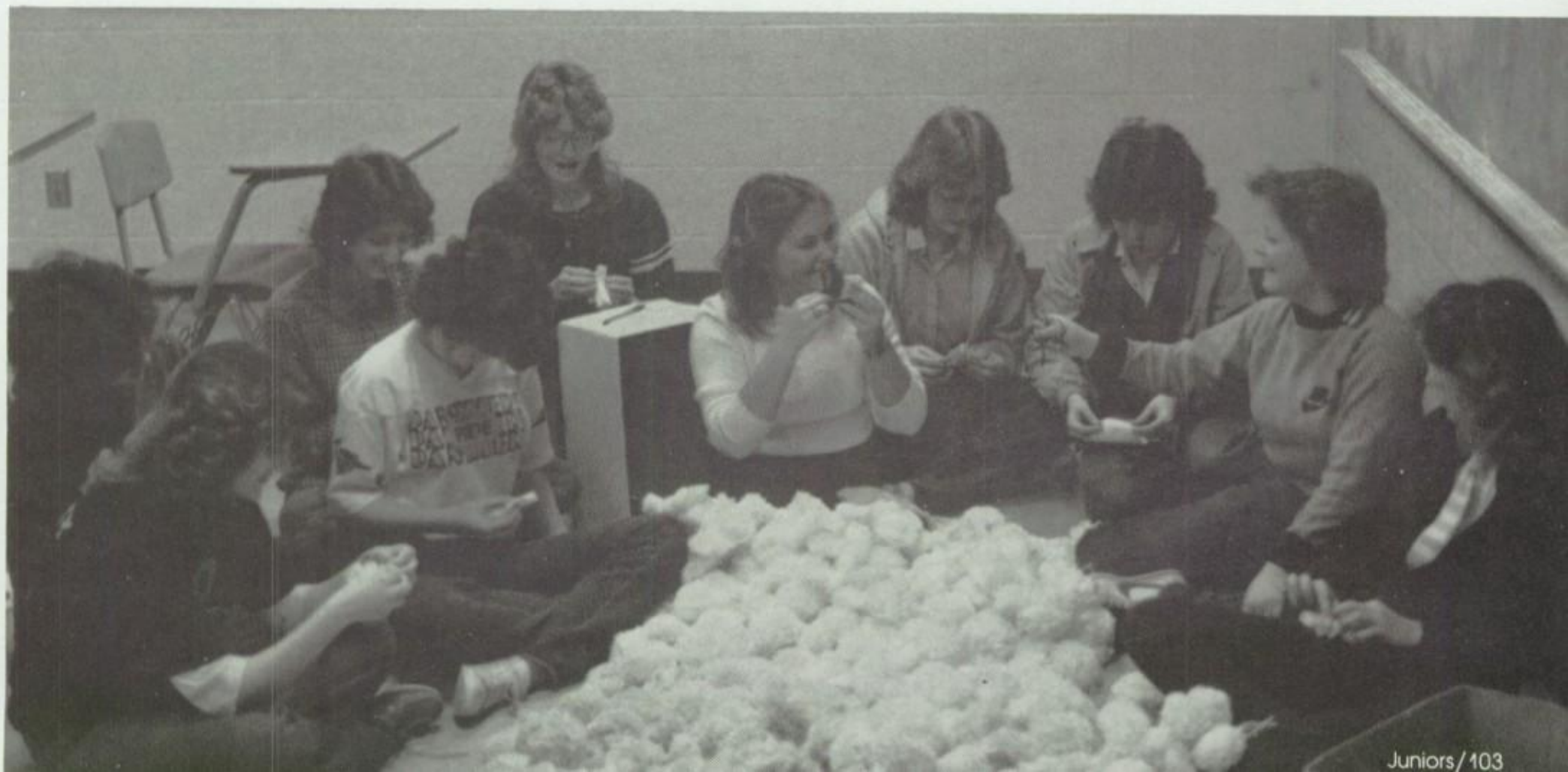
Greg Halterman
William Halterman
Debbie Harmon
Jeanette Harper

'83 Prom unique!

The junior class worked hard on the '83 prom. The theme for this year's prom was "Up Where We Belong," which is the seniors' class song. Prom was held at John Knox Pavilion in Lee's Summit on Saturday, April 9th, from 8-12 p.m. The dress code was semi-formal/formal. Rainbow colors were used. "John Knox Pavilion is a large beautiful building. Because of this change in location and many other firsts, the 1983 prom was the best one I've ever been involved with," commented Mrs. Jenkins. Beside the dress code there was no band. Mannequins Sound System was used, which featured a DJ.

Another change was royalty. Prom King and Queen were announced and crowned at prom. There were approximately 20 juniors on prom committee. The sponsors were Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Fulk, Mr. Gunter, Mrs. Bloodworth, and Mr. Smith. The junior class has quite a reputation for changing tradition- and prom was a good example of the changes that they felt would improve prom. Juniors are to be congratulated on the great job they did on prom. Many long hours were spent working to make this the best prom ever for the senior class of '83. Hopefully this year's prom will be an inspiration to others for many years to come.

April Radtke, Sarah Amerson, Carla Martin, Michelle Lloyd, Konia Meyer, Lesa Brenshears, Cheryl Swenson, Kim Theile, Tracy Bourland, and Carla Rein were just part of prom committee.



Juniors plan senior year

When you're a senior you have finally reached the top.

Some seniors like to go half day and work, or go half year and start their new life.

Various students were asked their views on what they looked forward to most about being a senior.

Mark Kahl- "Taking easy classes."
Wendy Leonard- "GRADUATING!"
Andrea Todd- "Not worrying about doing everything that this school thinks is right."
Terry DeVille"Looking down on all the underclassman and partying with all the rest of the seniors."
Jeff Beckett- "Uh? What, a senior? Umm, a new bunch of freshman girls and graduation parties."

— Jackie Tangeman.

Darren Richter and Curt Elleman rush to class.

Kevin Christy and April Radtke "smile pretty

Jayleen Brackman and Kim Theile are studying hard.

Jeff Beckett shows the art of balancing a bo

Kristine Harper
Jeff Hartley
Tracy Hauser
Jeff Heintzelman
Julie Hendershot

Kim Hendrickson
Butch Hestand
Christine Hey
John Huge
Crystal Huskey

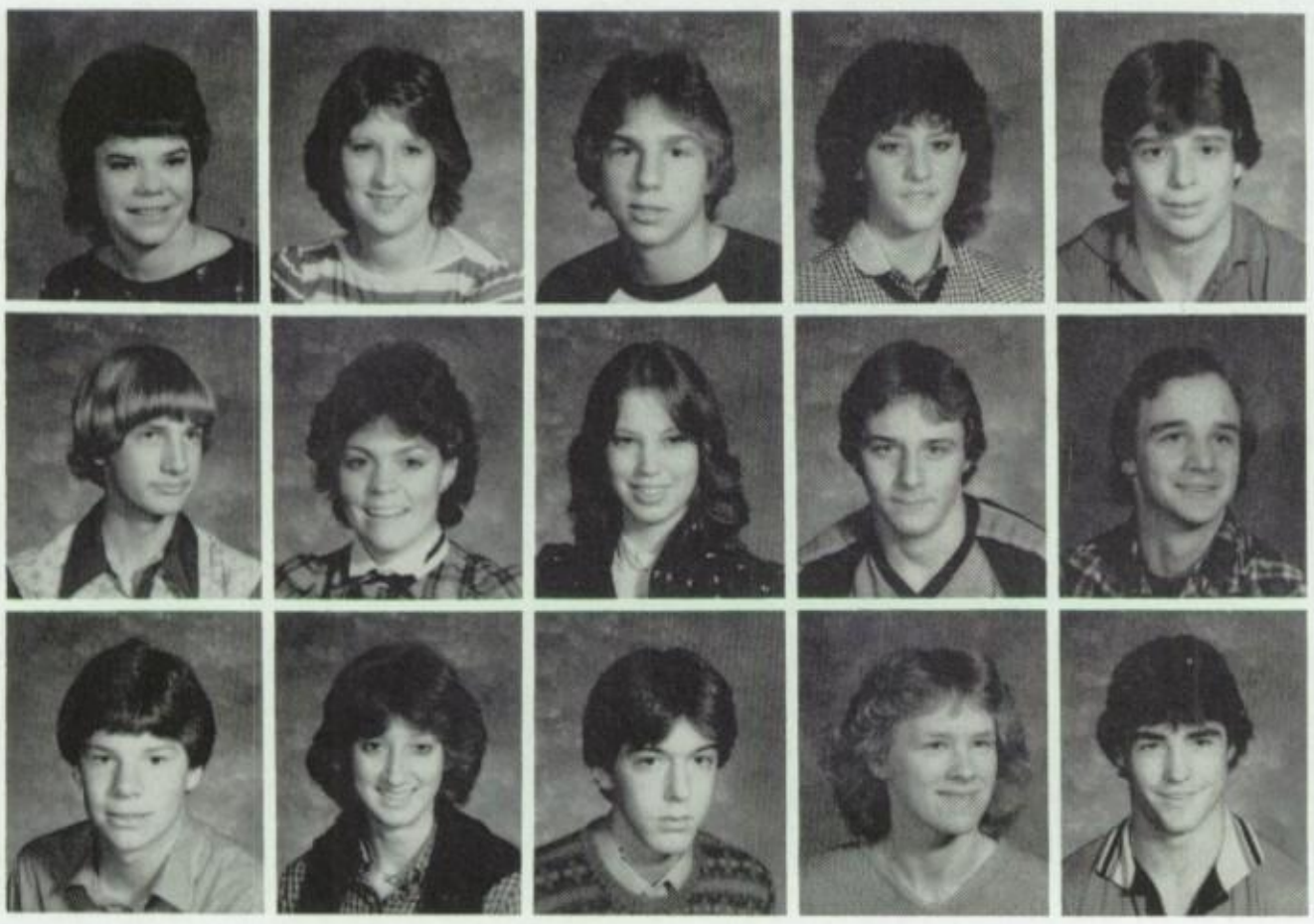
Chad Jones
Jeff Jones
Randy Jones
Mark Kahl
Debbie Kibler

Bruce Brown sings, "The itsy bitsy spider went up the garden spout ....."

Carla Rein, Lisa Reed, and Konia Meyer wait for the bell to ring.

ndrea Andreas takes a break in photography after a time in the darkroom.

Konia Meyer does what the Pom-Pon squad does best- PRIMP!



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Sean Knight
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Dan Lacy
Wendy Leonard
Denise Lewis
Pat Link
Paul Link

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Michelle Lloyd
Gene Lucas
Joyce Luhning
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Soap Operas:

Carla Martin
Tammy McCoy

Kevin McCubbins
Ginger McDonald

Konia Meyer
Melody Moody

Rhonda Moore
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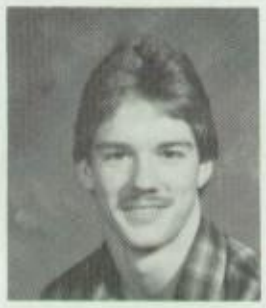

Kirk Mueller
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Val Murray
Jeff Nichols
Randy Oakley
Kendra Owen
Wade Parker

Robbie Parrott
Tim Perdee
Angie Phelps
Walter Plumb
Joyce Powell

Are you hooked?

There is an epidemic sweeping the country. Millions of teenagers are hooked. Hooked on soap operas that is. Approximately 30 million people watch soap operas, 70 percent of them female. "General Hospital" has been the number-one soap for four years (although reports indicate that "All My Children" is giving it a run for its money).

Daytime dramas are into many adult and teenage problems- among them, murder, espionage, kidnapping, prostitution, pregnancy, rape, extortion, bigamy, drugs, uncertain parentage, insanity, and almost any other situation imaginable.

How can teenagers resits such an abundance of thrills? They couldn't, and they haven't tried. The reason for the soaps' success in winning the teen audience is clear, they offer escapist entertainment featuring young characters with whom teens would like to identify.

Teens have been pondering the following questions for years . . .

Is reincarnation a factor in "One Life to Live?"

On the "Edge of Night," where's the edge?

Who is "our" on "Days of Our Lives?"

How many generations are in "All My Children?"

"Search for Tomorrow," who took it and where did they leave it?

"As the World Turns," a science fiction?

"Another World," is there one beyond this one?

Is the "Guiding Light," spiritual, directional or a pen light flash light?

Is "General Hospital" only for military personnel?

Does "Capital" take place in Washington D.C.?

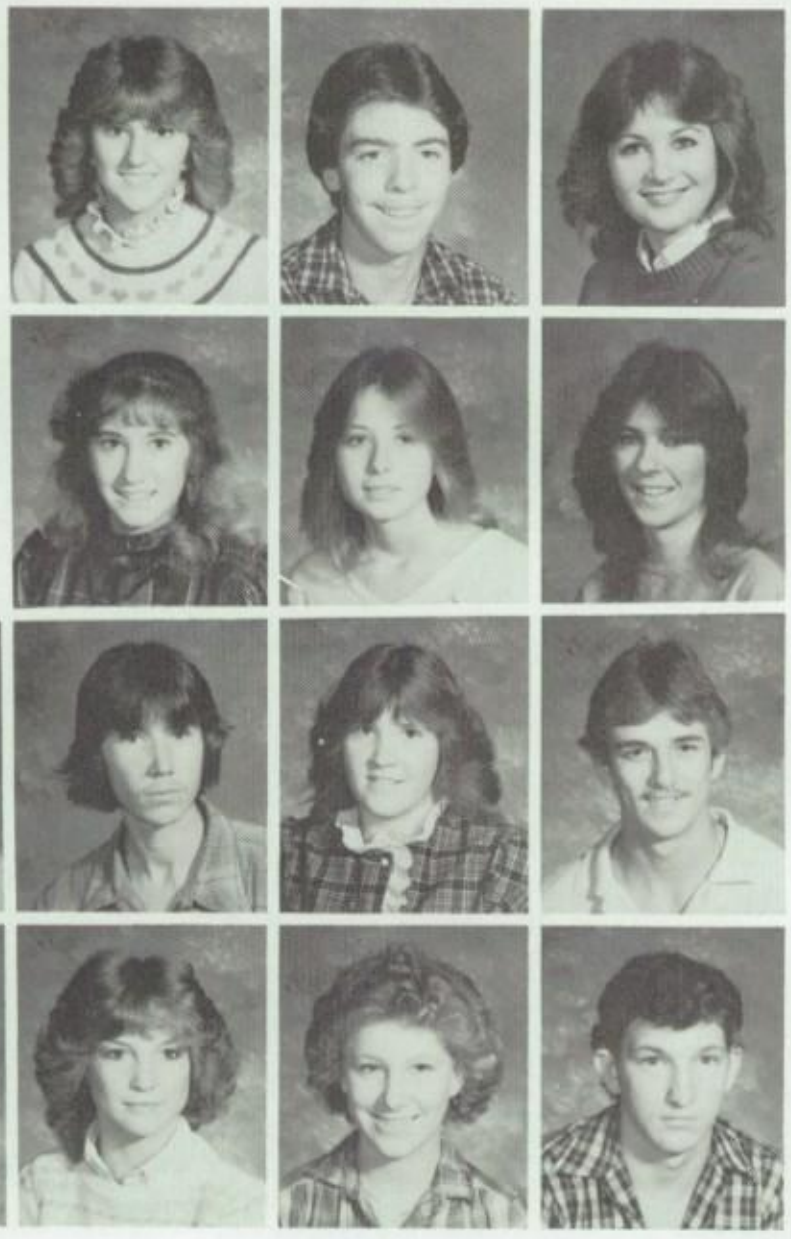
— Jackie Tangeman

April Radtke's not totally covered with mud, but almost.

The Three Stooges ... Kirk Mueller, Darren Richter, Jim Stohr.

Michelle Cox imitates travel poster.

Diana Greene and Kris Barnes show their spirit.



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Rhonda Rhodes

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Danny Ridenour
David Reiken
Linda Ritter
Steve Roach

Cindy Roberts
Lloyd Romig
Cindy Rowlett
Carla Rusow
Alvin Sample

Movies still a craze

A never ending craze that has been around since your parents were kids is the ever-popular movies. It seems that the average high schooler will see at least one or two movies a month. Movies seem to be an alternative to a boring evening or a date.

Has entertainment changed much? Quite a bit so. People seem shocked nowadays at the drastic changes movies have taken. Too much sex. Too much violence. Too much profanity. Too much reality. But yet all of these elements formed together put out supposedly a good quality movie.

If entertainment hasn't changed, the prices surely have. It was a shock to everyone that had paid $3.50 for a ticket for the last few years to suddenly start paying $4.25 at Bannister Square. But it doesn't seem to slow down business any. Everyone has had the inconvenience of going to a movie and finding out that it sold out an hour ago. And what about the prices at the concession stands?? $1.80 for a small coke and a mere snickers candy bar!!

— Lisa Bryan

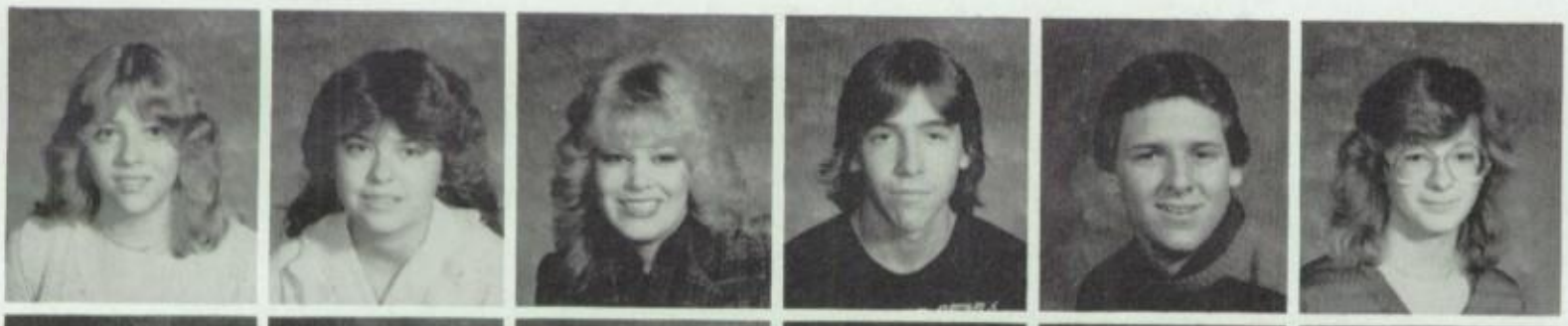
Eddie Murphy and Nick Nolte starred in "48 Hours", a movie of a cop and ex-con.

"Poltergeist", another Steven Speilberg thriller, topped the horror flick list.

In "Best Friends", Burt Reynolds and Goldi Hawn try marriag

Dustin Hoffman plays a dual role in "Tootsie".

E.T. the Extra Terrestrial .. An Officer and A Gentleman .. Poltergeist .. Kiss Me Goodbye ..... Halloween III .. Fast Times at Ridgemont High .. The Entity .. Tootsie .. 48 Hours .. Best Friends .. The Toy .. Without a Trace .. Airplane II ... The Verdict .. Gahndi .. Missing .. The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas .. Porky's II .. Rocky III .. The Darke Crystal .. The Sword and the Corcerer .... Mother Lode .. Time Bandits .. Friday the 13th ... Timerider .. Creepshow .. Chariots of Fire .....



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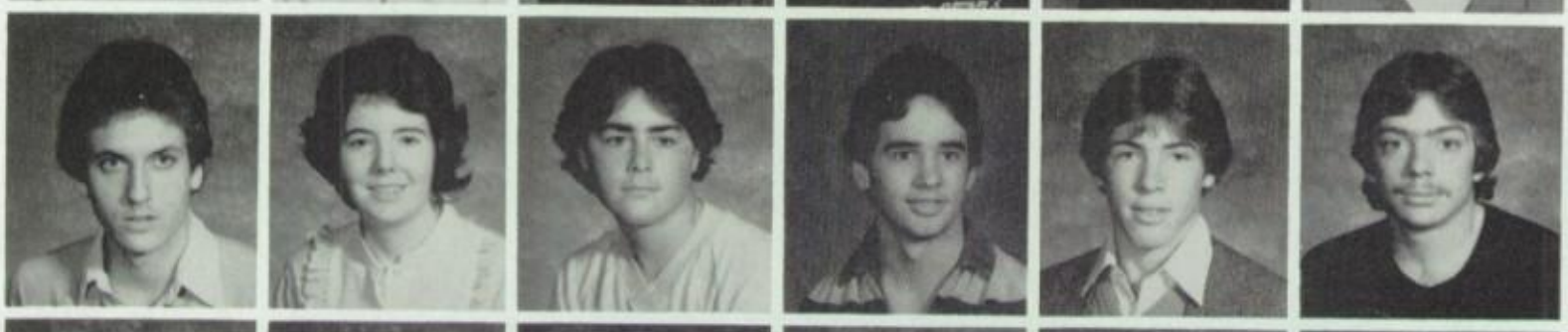

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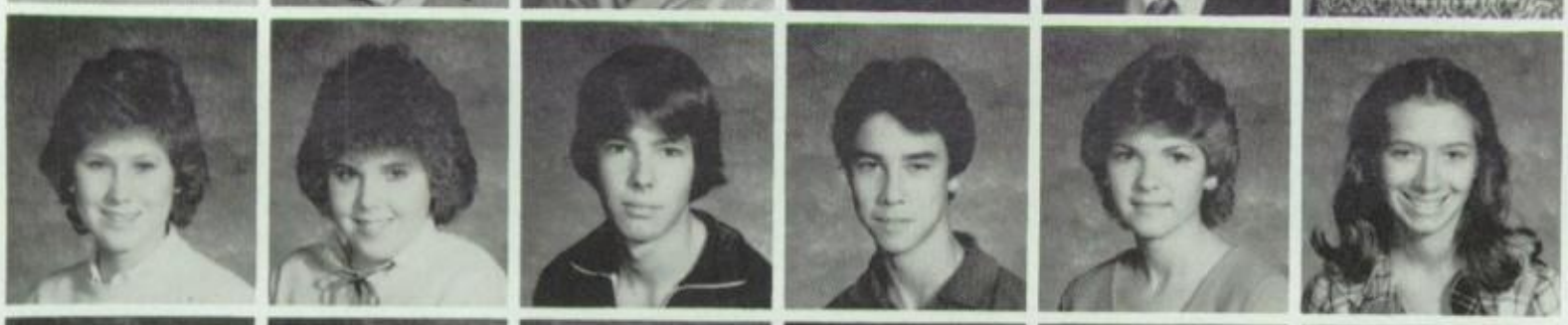

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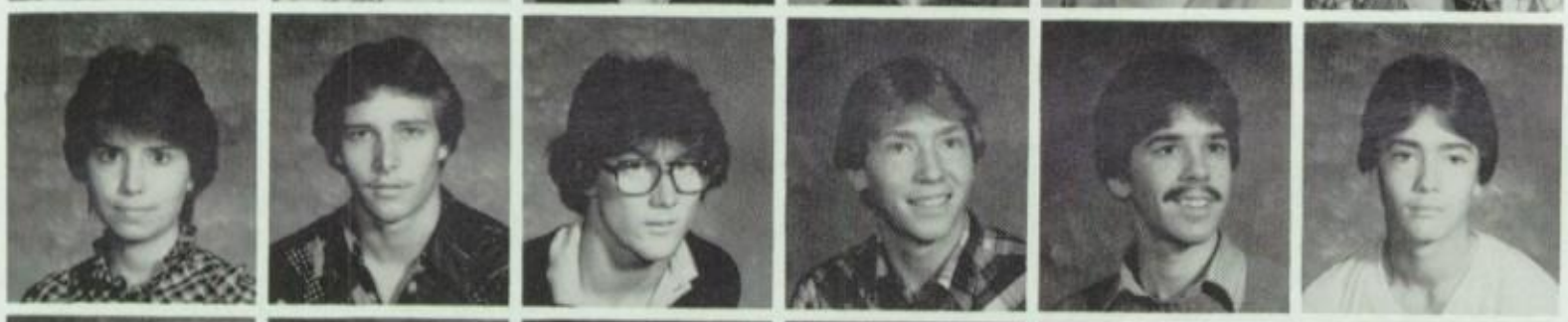

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Jocelyn Wills

Mike Wilson
Gary Winchel
Blane Wood
Pat Wood
Suzy Wright
Daniel Wyman

Sophomore Royalty

Homecoming attendant, Tammy Vaters; Snowball attendants, Sherri Guilford & Matt Ferrari; Courtwarming attendants, Julie Wheeler & Shawn Jones

Laura Andrews
Danny Antrim
Eric Armintrout
David Armstrong
Lavonna Ash
Jeff Bacca

Kenny Baum
Steven Bell
Raymond Bennett
Fred Birkett
Sandra Booker

Ted Bowen
Brain Bremer
Ellis Brewster
Cheryl Bronson
Lora Brown
Chris Bruegge

Richard Brumbaugh
Stephanie Bullard
Jina Calderas
Tracy Caldernon
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Lori Canada

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Matt Cobern

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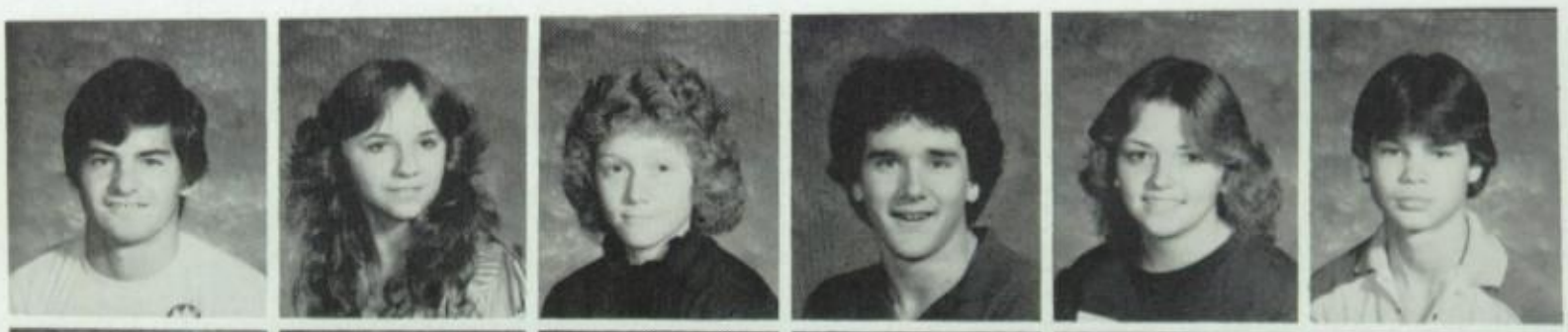

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David Freer
Kent Friedhof
Shelia Frye
Dena Fuston
Lisa Galeassi

Billy George

Gina Giammetteo

Tracy Gibbs

Darren Giebler

Angela Glover

Sophomores get aerobic.

For students at Ray-Pec, gym classes have expanded from just PE I and II. Now there are a lot more new classes. One of them is aerobics.

If you visit the gymnaism, hours 3 and 5 you can hear music and see people dancing, or is it exercising? In a poll concerning 43 sophomores enrolled in aerobic classes;

16 said they took aerobics because they wanted to stay fit.
0 said they took it because their friends wanted them to.
8 said they just wanted to try something new and see why aerobics was becoming so popular.
34 said aerobics was o.k.
9 said it was great and loved doing it.

-Crystal Huskey

Chris Gnefkow
Karen Goade
Kristine Gowing
Arlin Gregg
Sherri Guilford

Cheryl Guyer
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Susan Hagedorn
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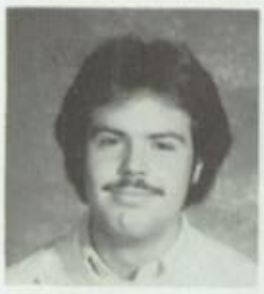

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Mike Hibon
Phil Hime

Vici Hofman
Mark Holloway
Curt Houchen

Coach Clayton's 6th hour aerobic class gets a move on it.

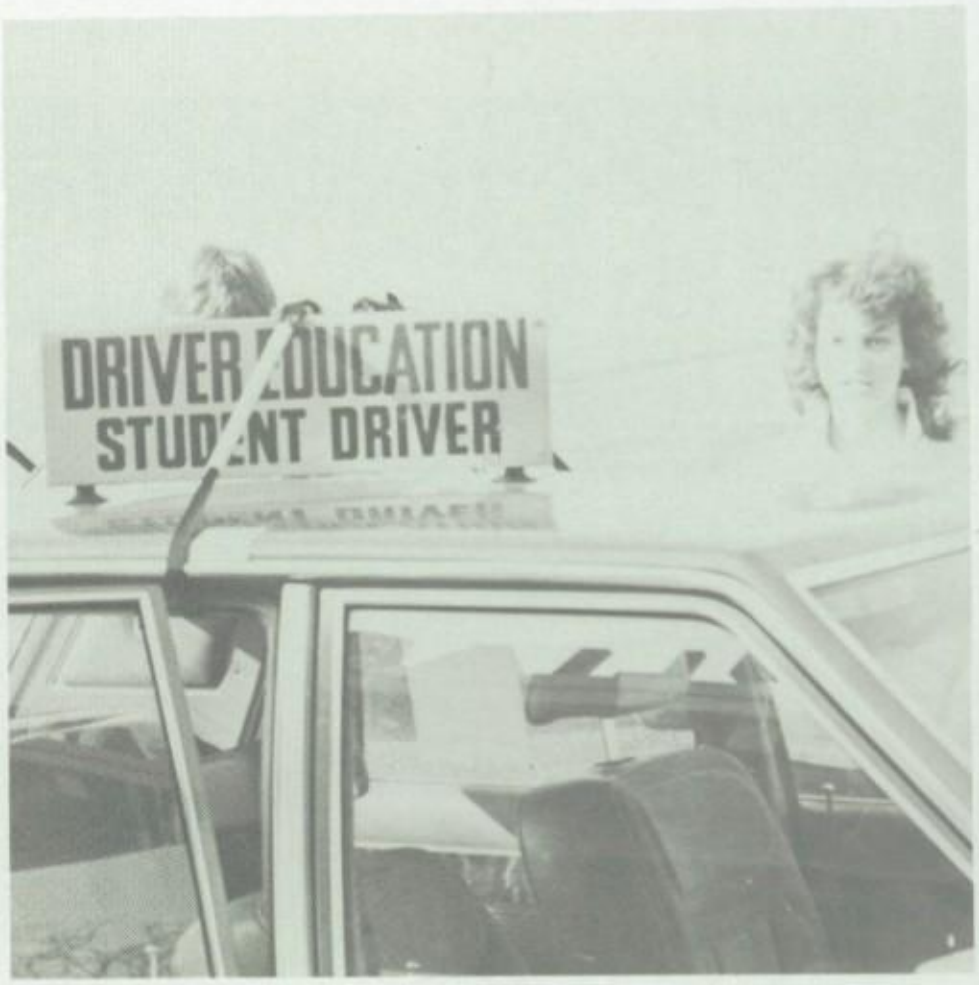
Aerobic students show us what they can do.

Sophomores

Taking your big bad driving test

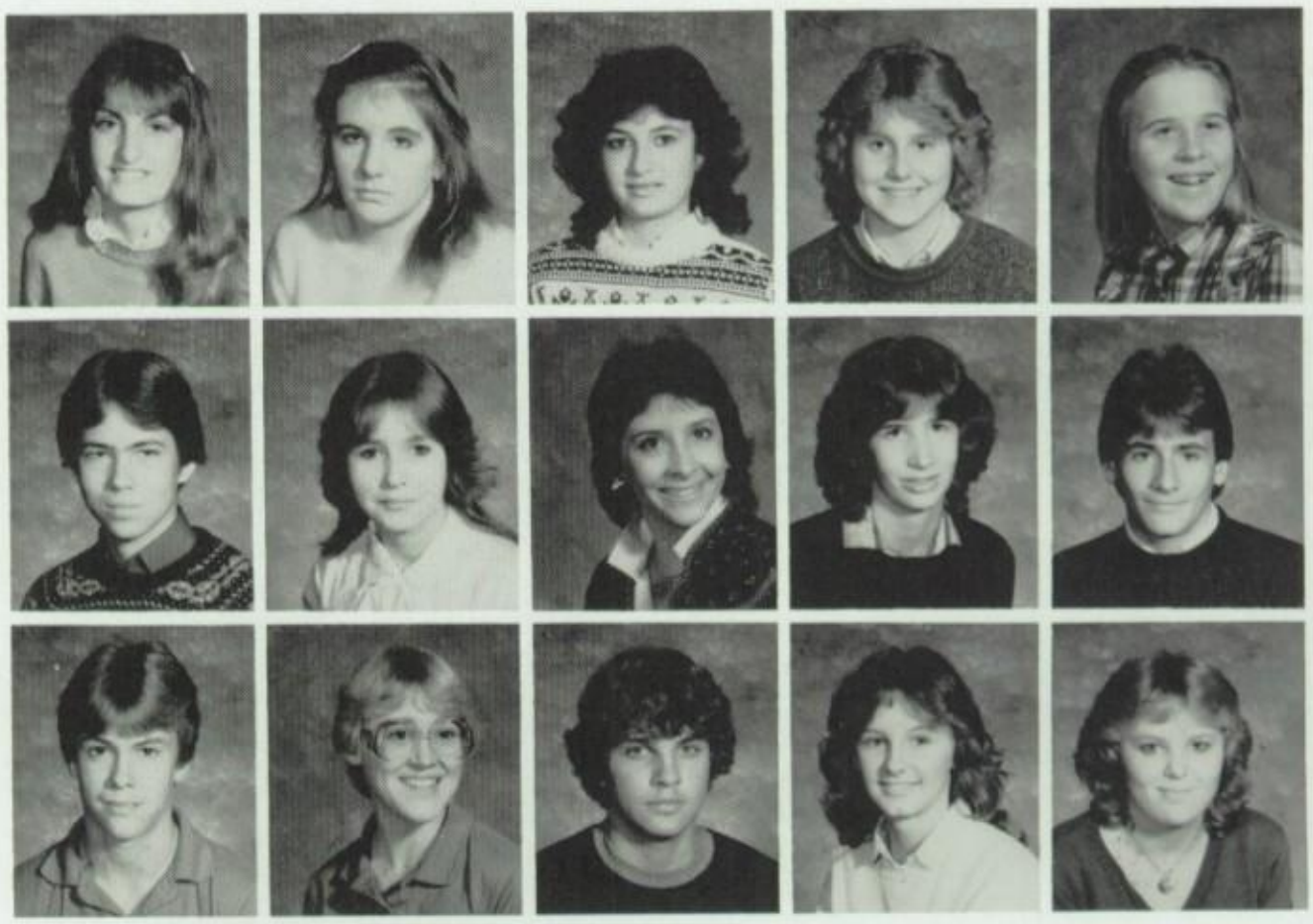
During your sophomore year a lot of changes take place. One of the major ones is "learning to drive." A lot of kids take Driver's Education in high school. Many take the course to learn how to drive, while others who know how to drive take it for the insurance discounts. But still others who know how to push the pedal and steer the wheel, take driver's ed. to learn the basics of driving safely. After you are done with learning the techniques, the hard part is taking your Driver's License Test.

"What is the worst thing you remember about taking your driver's test?
The driving instructor counted off for everything.
Joe Williams
The time it took to get through with the test.
Jim Stella
Worrying about getting a good score.
Juline Cunningham
-Crystal Huskey



Debbie Lloyd gets ready for a practice run in the new Driver's Ed. car.

Mr. Simon and 3 of his students buckle up for safety.



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Kim Hunter
Glenetta Inman

David Irvin
Christy Irwin
Dawna Johnson
Barbara Jones
Keith Jones

Shawn Jones
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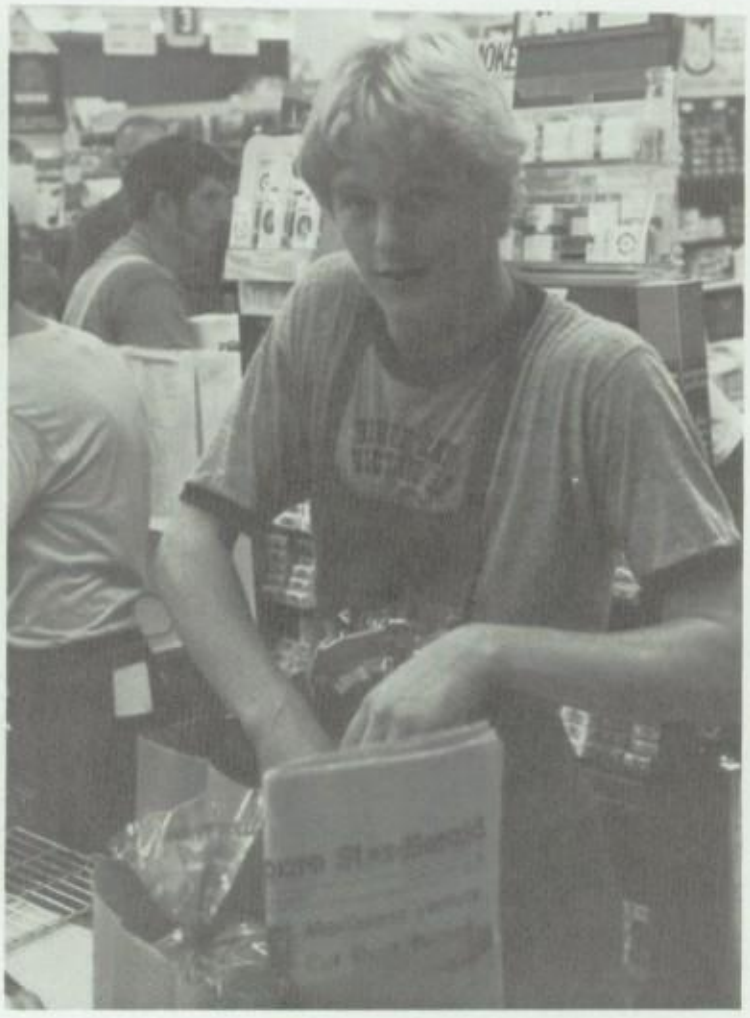
Shawn Junkin
Jenny King
Rosalyn Kirby

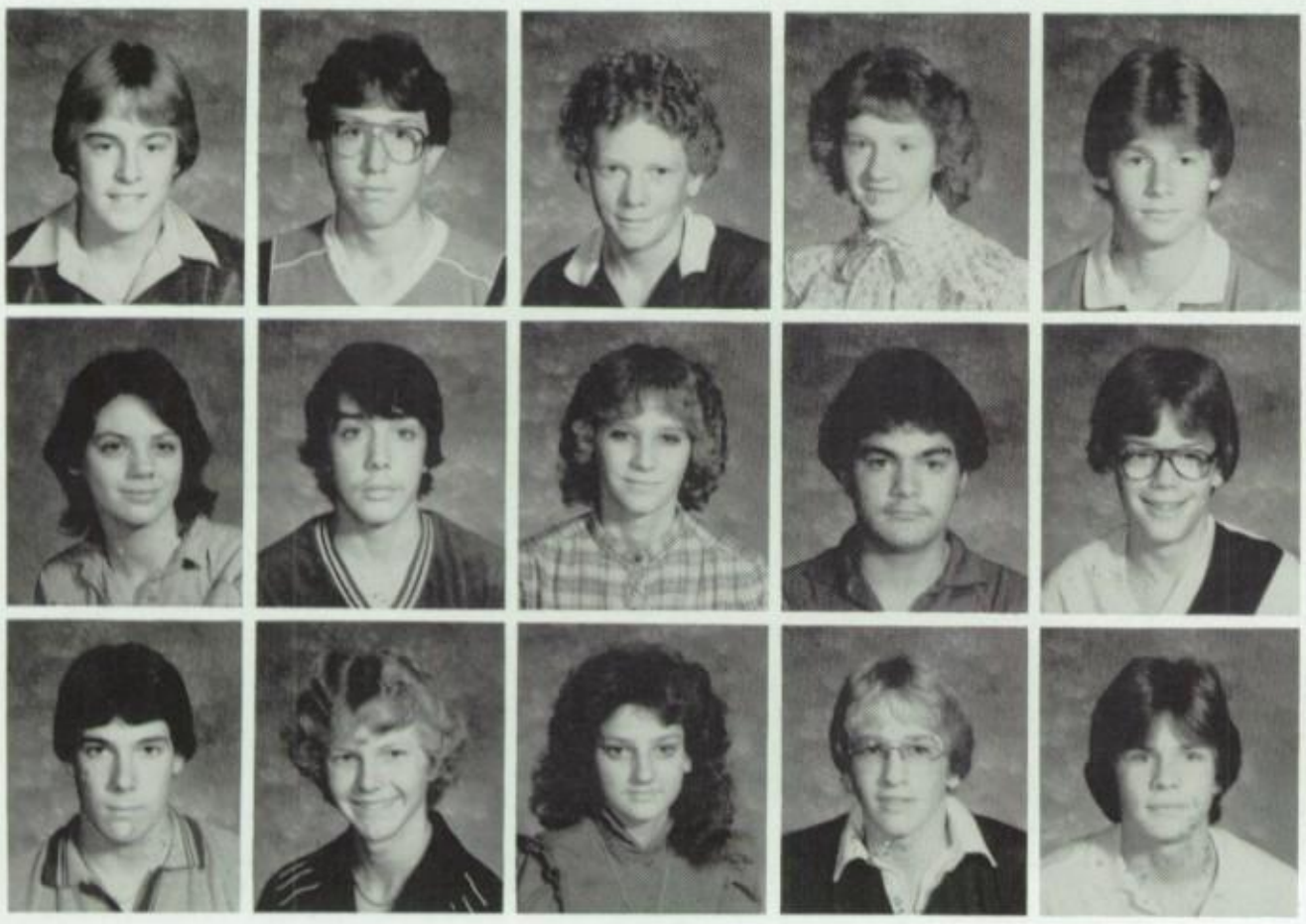
Kristen Ament, Stephanie Bullard and Kim Houghton enjoy the 5 minutes between classes.



Darren Giebler pursues his after-school hobby . . . working.

Scott York and Shawn Jones show off their "Macho."

In the lunchroom, Brian Woodfine goofs off for the camera.



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Kristy Kottenbrock
Heath Kuykendall

Connie Lamkin
Mike Lavalee
Linda Lemasters
Aaron Leonard
Raymond Lewis

Ron Lininger
Richard Linden
Debbie Lloyd
Chris Ludden
Robert Martin

RP classes are fun & exciting . . . but lots of work

Ray-Pec is getting better and better. Things are being done to improve our school. New classes are being added, new rules being made, and new students are coming to enroll. The classes that are already on our program are getting more interest from students. Ray-Pec has a large variety of classes and courses to offer. Certain courses are designed to provide a change from the regular classes that are now required. Some of these are;
Photography, Family Relations, Introduction to Computers and Social Dance.
Others are made specially for the student who is going to college. These require patience, skill, knowledge, and hard work.
Some of these are;
College Prep. I and II, Literature for the College Bound.
There are lots of classes that can be taken for just plain old fun. Although tests are given to see what you have learned, the material is easy to understand and retain.
So whatever your hobbies are, whether you are going to college or not, RP has something to offer you.

Terra Taylor and Kathy Taylor study hard as they work in biology class.

Robert Martin
Sean Martin
Ted Martin

Bob Meissen
Mark Meshcon
Russel Miller

James Mitchell
Joe Montell
Wesley Morton

Gene Murphy
Devin Mcaninch
April McCoy

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Chris Nicholas

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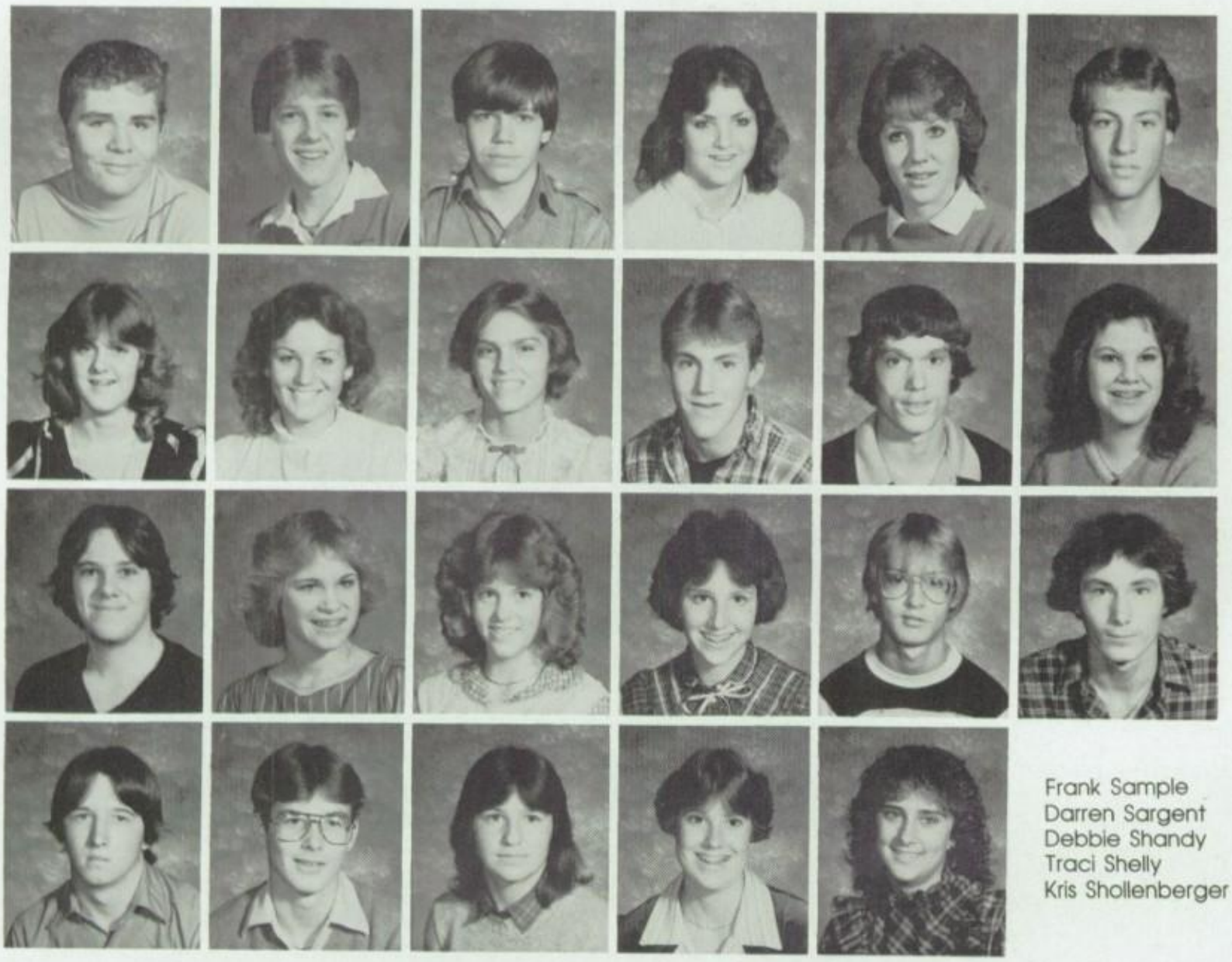

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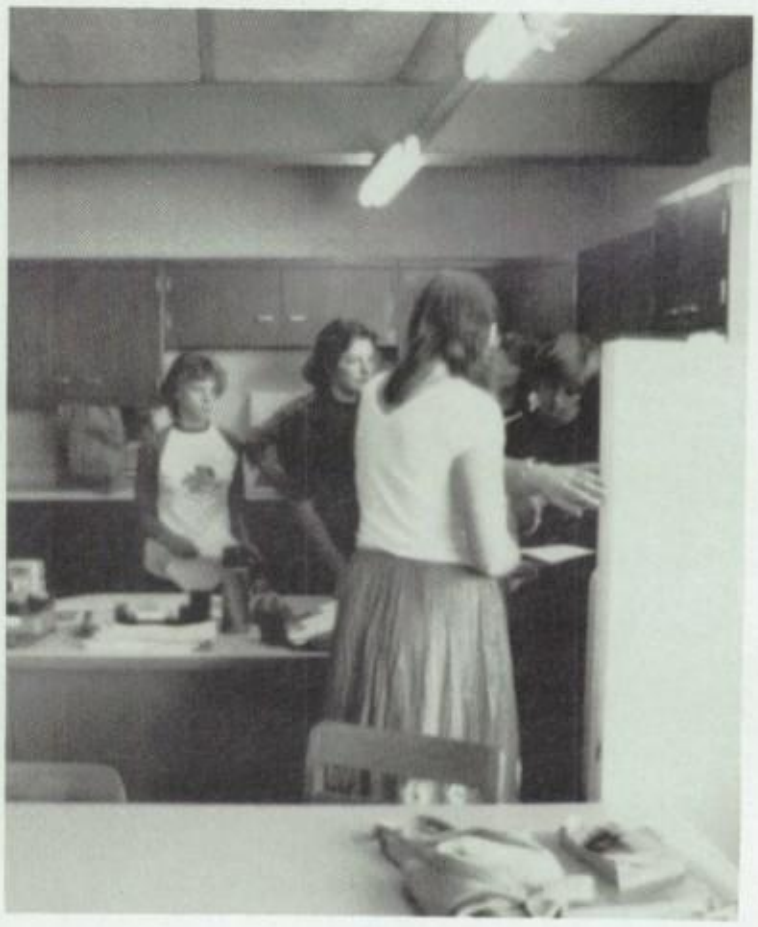
John Peck
Matt Poe
Kerry Powell
Kim Prince
Brad Quest

Kim Rains
Barbara Reed
Diane Reed
Steve Reiman
Gary Renshaw
Laurie Rice

Mike Richardson
Shannon Ridenhour
Kim Robins
Brenna Robinson
Paul Rogers
Randy Roming

Frank Sample
Darren Sargent
Debbie Shandy
Traci Shelly
Kris Shollenberger

Miss Fredericks' Food for Nutrition class cooks an interesting lab.



Mr. Moul's 3rd hour Biology class studies hard.

Like, what's a Val?!

Like, I went to buy a miniskirt, y'know? And this Jell wearing these clothes that were sooo joanie comes out.

She says, "What are you looking for dearie?"

Dear? I'm really shuur!!" Like I need a new miniskirt y'know?" I told her.

"Just one second, pleeeeaase." She brings one out. "Well what do you think dear?"

Like gag me with a spoon! The geek brings out a skanky silver metallic one. "Here, this will look reeeeal nice with your braces," says the goober.

Omigahd, like growdy to the max, fer shuur. "Except for the metallic part, it could be like almost bearable." I told her.

"Well, can I show you anything else then?"

"Bag it, I'm so-o-o-o shuuur ..... Totally!!!"

In all of the "Valley Girl" craze, Ray-Pec has one of its own: Jina Calderas.

If you are like totally lost it's probably because you have never heard of Valley Girls. Vals are trendy teens generally between the ages of 14 and 17. They are usually upper-middle class families. Though some Vals, with their daddy's charge card rarely even check out the price tag.

The original Valley Girls, who are California teens, reside in the San Fernando Valley area on the outskirts of Los Angeles. But now Vals are found all across the country.

Last year the hit single "Valley Girls", was released. It was sung by sixties rock musician Frank Zappa and his 15-year old daughter, Moon Unit.

How do you spot a Val? At a glance they can be distinguished by their trendy clothes Designer jeans, ruffled shirts, ballet slippers, miniskirts and the tuxedo look. They hang around shopping malls and beaches lots, too.

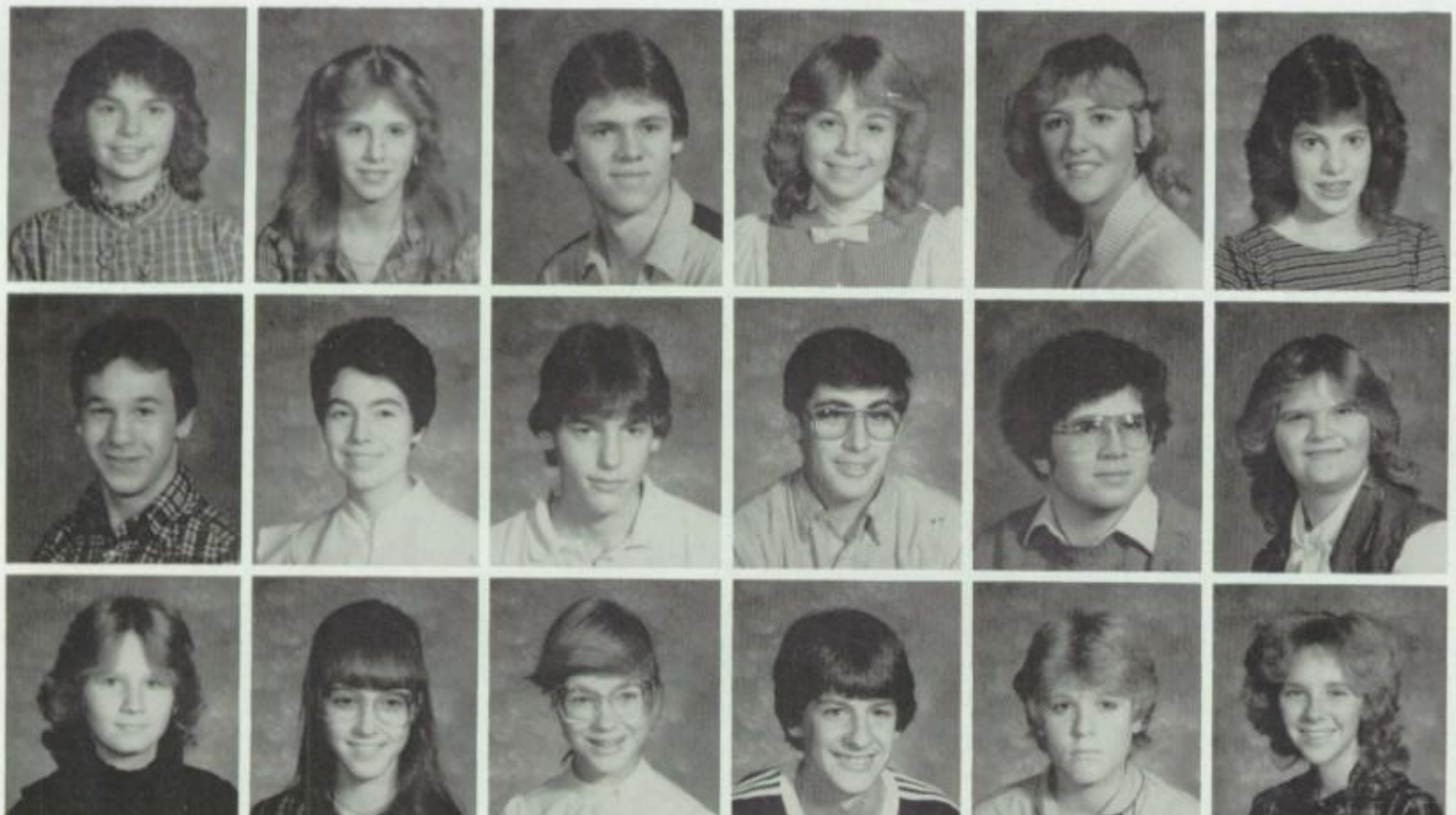
With Valley Girls on T.V., radio and all over the country, who knows — maybe next year Valley Dudes will be just as popular.

The Valley Girls are like totally tubular ..... fer shuuuuur!!!!

DICTIONARY OF VAL SPEAK

Airhead: n.; person with reduced mental capacities; Jel
Awesome: adj.; amazing and marvelous; fantastic
Bag it: inper.; remove from sight, forget it, drop dead
Bummed: adj.; at a low ebb, dejected, a bad time
Cruise: v.; to stalk out cool dudes, an exploration time
Dermatologist: n.; zit doctor, necessity for all Vals
De-Val: v.; to deprogram a person from valspeak
Edged: adj.; incenced, angry or upset; ticked off
Fer Shuur: interj.; exclamatory affirmative-"For sure!!"
Gag me with a spoon: make me vomit, very vulgar, grody
Gnarley: adj.; denotes vastness or excellence.
Go fer it: interj.; boundless optimism about life
Grody: adj.; disgusting, repugnant, nauseating or gross
Joanie: adj.; out of date, paleolithic, verrry old.
Like: conj.; used in the place of taking a breath
Max, to the: adj.; greatest, utmost, supreme
Omigahd: interj.; expression indicating surprise or shock
Scarf out: v.; to overeat, gorge, pig out, wolf down
Shanky: adj.; nauseating, repellent, yuckkkky
Space Cadet: n.; person not having both oars in the water
Ugly: adj.; what a Valley Girl *IS NOT*!!!

---Lisa Bryan & Jackie Tangema



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Gennie Strader
Dorothy Strobl
Mary Strobl
Jeff Stroup
Terra Taylor
Kathy Taylor

David Templeton
Paul Thomas
Eric Thomson
Cindy Tipton
Rhoda Trueblood
Tammy Vaters

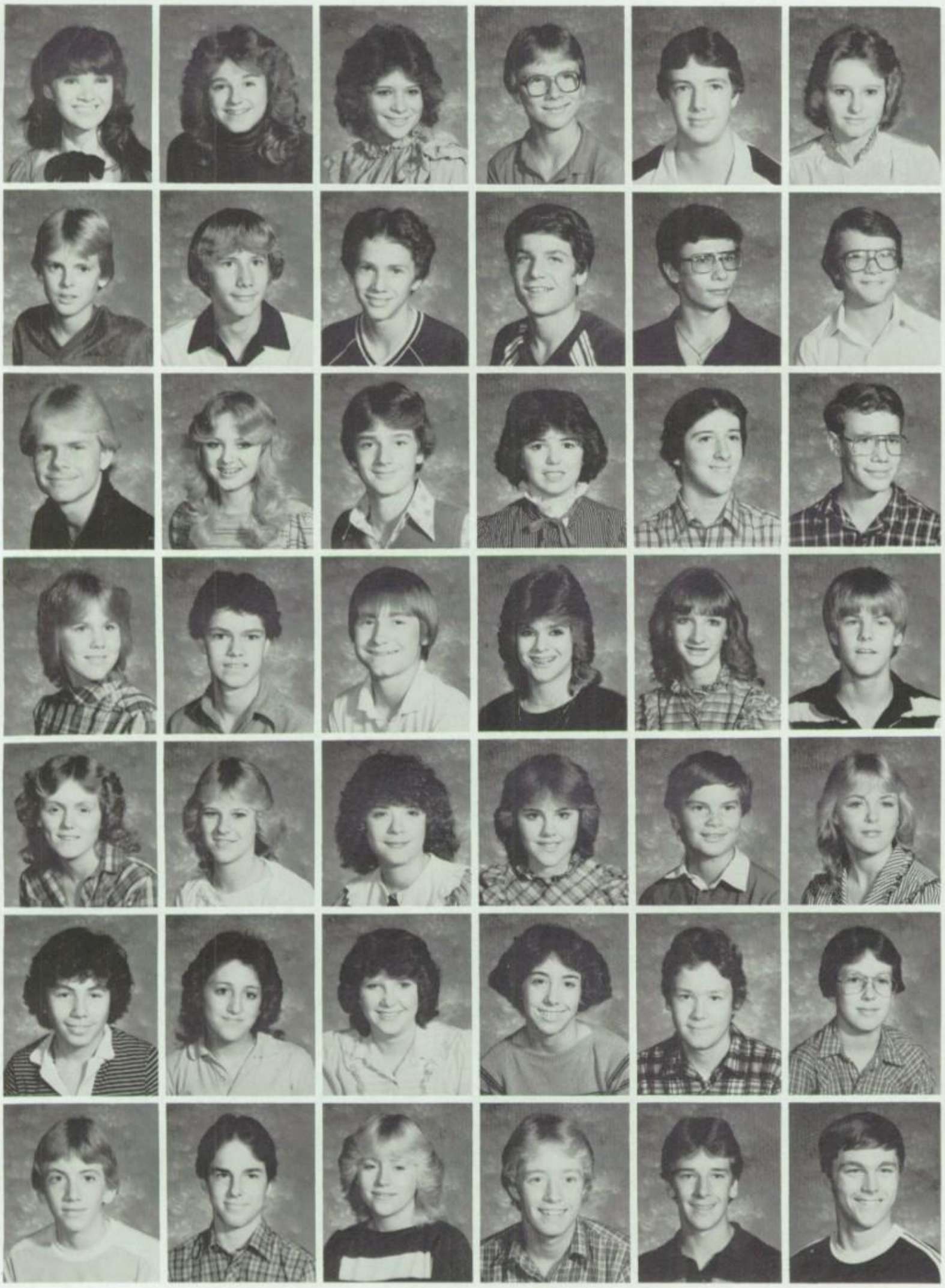
Joyce Vechnak
Elizabeth Verburght
Becky Violett
John Ward
Robert Warder
Debra Washecheck

Darren Watson
Tony Watson
Sarabeth Webb
Julie Wheeler
Joe Williams
Scott Willis

Debbie Wilson
Brian Woodfine
Edgar Woodward
Kevin Worthley
Michelle Yonkman
Scott York

Freshmen Royalty

Homecoming attendant, Robin Rogers; Snowball, Kristan Ament and Jeff Pendergraft; Courtwarming; Tracy Buck and Shawn Crabtree.



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Daren Bearden
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Matt Benett
Michelle Biere
Brad Blackwell
Suzie Bloodworth
Rodney Boatwright
Daniel Boone

Stacy Borgelt
Tim Bradley
Eric Braun
Christel Brent
Tamara Broderick
Troy Brown

Sheryl Brumbaugh
Christina Buck
Tracy Buck
Melissa Buffon
Jon Byman
Angela Cada

Julian Calderas
Antionette Cammisano
Regina Chafin
Becky Chaves
Alex Church
Brian Clark

David Cobb
Steve Cotten
Michell Cox
David Crabtree
Shawn Crabtree
Brian Dake

How to be a successful freshman

According to the freshmen student body there are do's and don't's that allow one to survive in high school. Upper classmen have a knack for harassing freshmen. Many have fallen victim to these notorious upper classmen. Some, however, have invented ways to be successful.

Tom Ruark said, "Walk straight and keep your mouth shut."

Jackie Morrison feels your best bet is to not walk around with your friends or you'll get smashed, especially in the junior hall.

"Act like you've got some sense and you'll do just fine," remarked Tom Kennedy.

Robert Beard stated, "Don't talk back to upper classmen."

"Act like you know what you're doing," commented Sonia Mansfield.

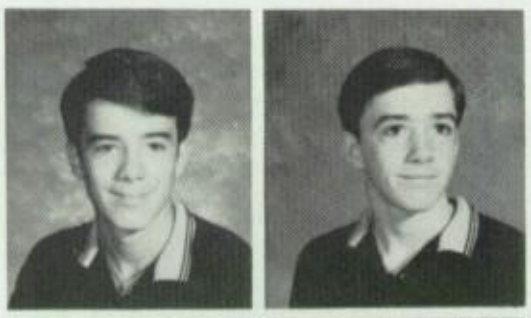
Jeff Stohr said, "Don't be afraid of anyone."

Suzie Bloodworth has a different method of being successful. She said, "Tell Mr. Davis that he is the most handsome guy, to boost his ego."

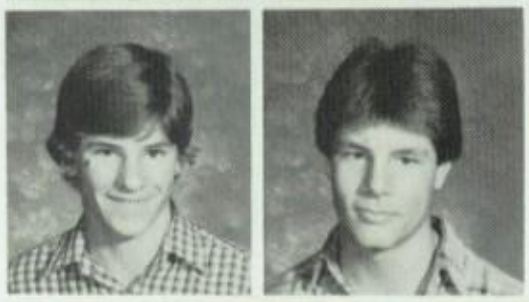
Accordingly, if these methods are followed one is sure to be a successful freshman.

-Mary Gunter

A hectic first day as a freshman, "Where's my locker?"



Brad Dearmont
Brian Dearmont



Christopher Deluca
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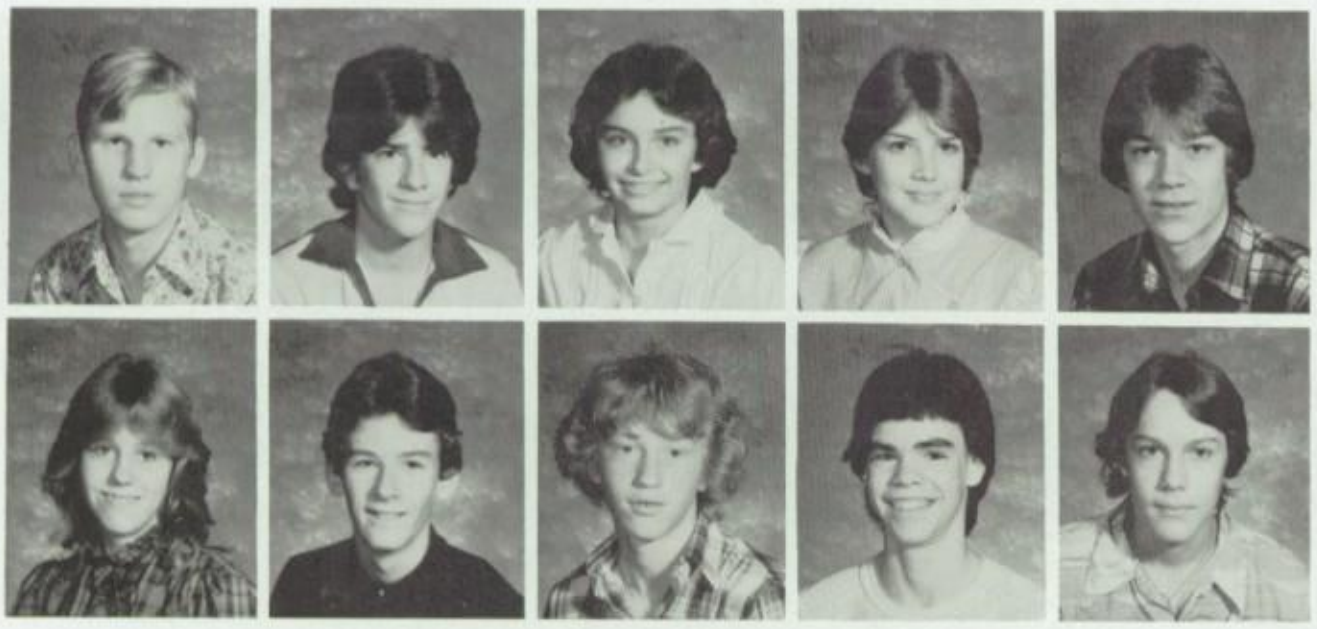
Dan Everhart
George Farrill

Julie Ferguson
Stacey Ferguson
Lori Fisher
Paul Fleming
Christina Fluesmeier



Russell Francis
Ken Gary
Teresa Gaston
Mary Gebaur
Craig Glover

Shawna Goddard
Kelly Gorrell
Michael Graves
Mark Green
Mike Guthrie

Kevin Shelly and Kevin McMurray don't anticipate the camera's eye.

Artie Shireman and Jena Murphy discuss matters after lunch.

Suann Hannah
Bill Harmon
Tim Harper
Donald Hestand
Mark Hill

Mary Hilt
Ron Holloway
Roger Horn
Karen Houghten
Lenise Huskey

Freshmen

It will help you understand life?

The games and toys have been put away. It's time to think ahead. There has been a metamorphosis from middle school students, without much responsibility, to high school students with expectations. In conjunction with the reputation of being a freshman (harrowing to say the least), we asked members of the ninth grade if they thought being a freshman would leave them permanently damaged. Here are some of their replies . . .

Freshman Derick Johnston aptly stated, "It will help you understand life."

"Maybe you would be damaged too if for two straight weeks people only refered to you as puppies." -Sonia Mansfield

"No, you won't be a freshman all your life." -Ed Lamkin

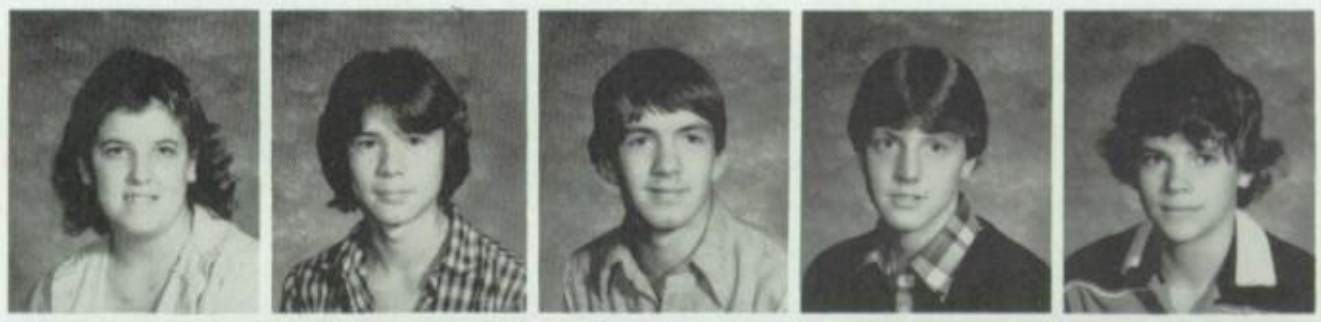
"I doubt it, I'll probably recover eventually." -Heather McDougal

Jeff Scholtens profoundly stated, "You have to be at the bottom sometimes to get to the top." -Mary Gunter

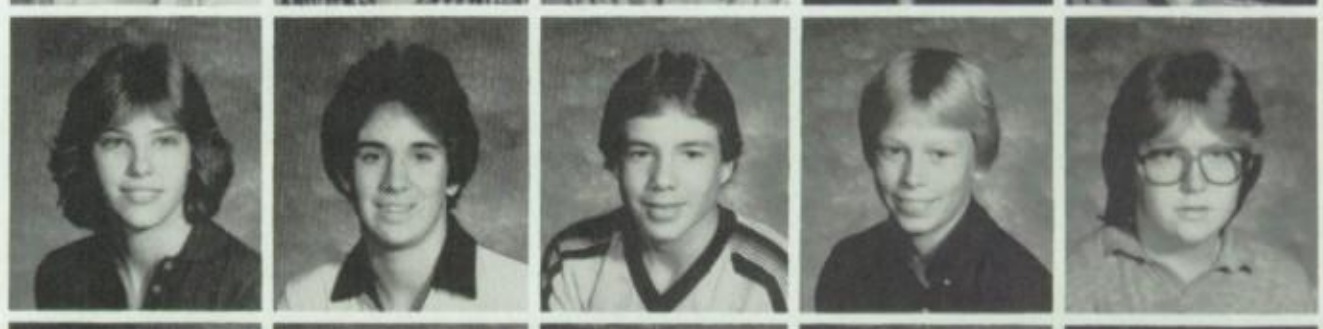
Are these freshmen permanently damaged?

The freshmen do their best to rival the upper classmen in the traditional class yell competition. They were only 4/10 of a point away from winning the spirit trophy for their participation in spirit week, February 14-18.

Donna Hyatt
Johnny Ishmael
Tracy Jackson
Mike Jacobs
Craig Johnson



Brenda Johnson
Derick Johnston
Ricky Justice
Paul Kahl
David Kopfer



Tommy Kruse
Eddie Lamkin
Mike Lampson
Stephen Lewis
Christine Lillig

The daily gathering around the new juke box.

These freshmen didn't oversleep, it's spirit week!

Jill Retter enjoys reading her book for English I.

Carl Plumb doesn't appear eager to pose for the anxious rookie photographer Andrea Andreas.

Tracy Loomer
Michael Loving
John Lucas
Melissa Maley
Sonia Mansfield

Melissa Martin
Michael Martin
Robin Meisenheimer
Cherie Mericle
Carl Miller

John Miller
Vern Miller
Amy Mocker
Clyde Montgomery
Derek Moorhead

Jackie Morrison
Angelia Moss
Jackie Munger
Jena Murphy
Heather McDougal

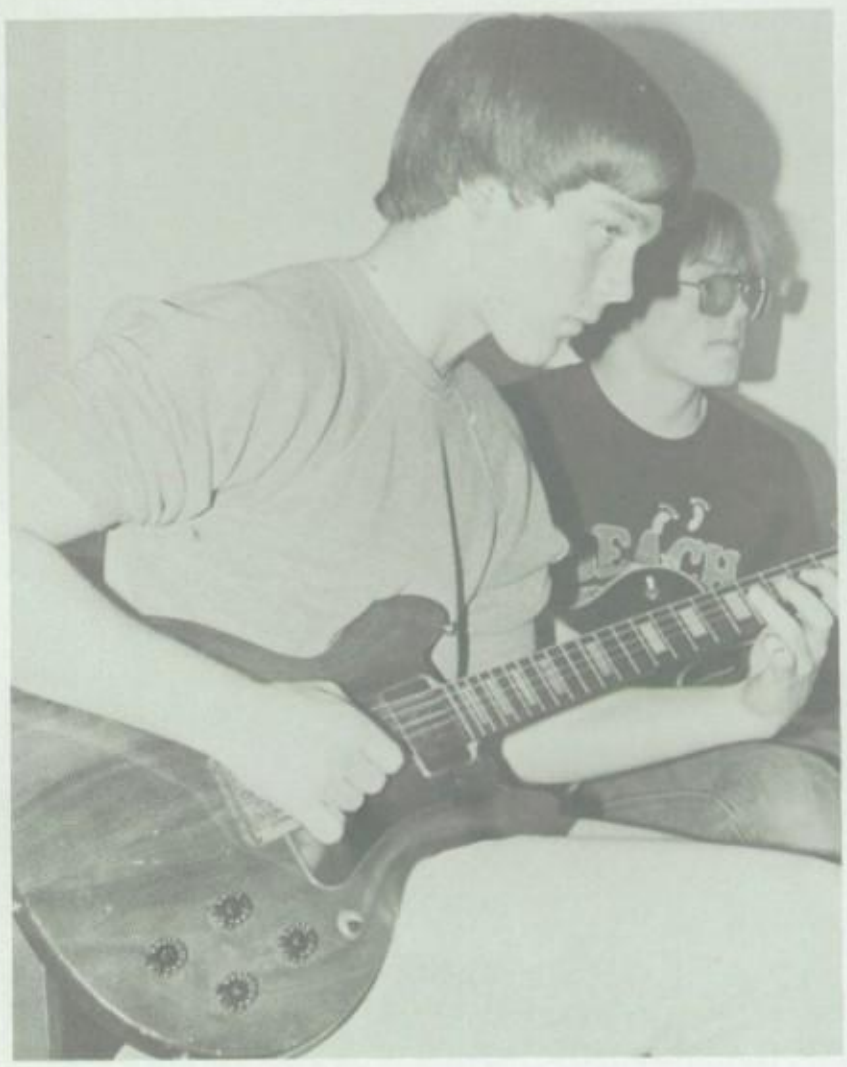
Kevin McMurray
Debra Neidlinger
Christine O'Brien
Tammy Oldaker
Michele Palmer

Pam Pardekooper
Brian Parrish

Charles Parrott
Eric Patterson

Jeff Pendergraft
Lisa Peterson

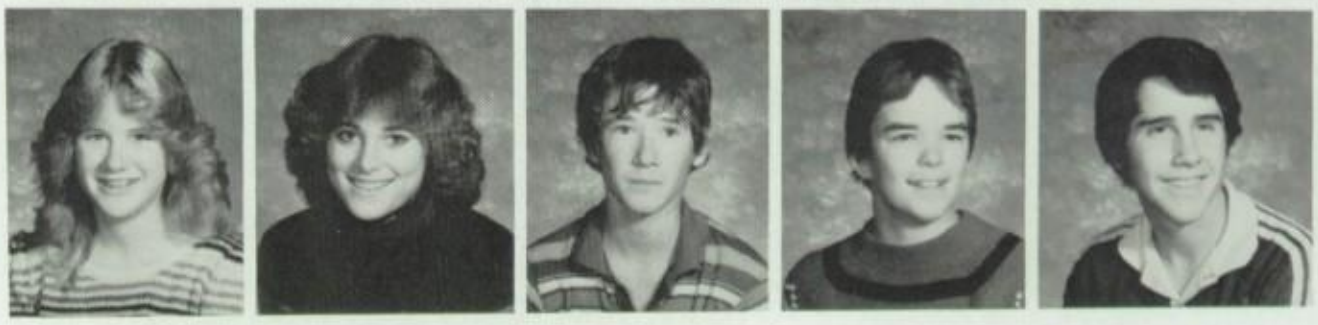
Jeff Phelps
Jack Pickren



Brian Dake and Scott Smith strive for perfection.

Carl Plumb
Greg Plummer
Stephen Reed
Max Reinhardt
Jill Retter

Connie Reynolds
Melisa Richter
Alan Reiken
Stanley Roach
Derrick Robinson



'Sound Waves' . . . on their way

Introducing the members of the musical group "Sound Waves", on guitar Brian Dake, the founder and leader of the band, Brian is a vocalist and has been playing the guitar for two years. Billy Harmon, also a vocalist, Billy began playing in August of 1982, Scott "Smitty" Smith, also began playing two years ago and is now a resident of Blue Springs. And Chris Barr.

Mike "Tadpole" Arnold is on the drums. Tadpole discovered the drums when he was four years old. Mike Loving, Melissa Buffon, and Mary Gebaur are vocalists. A new addition is Matt Martin on the piano.

All of the members of "Sound Waves" are freshmen.

"Sound Waves" began as an instrumental band with four members to do a benefit. The three original members are Brian, Smitty, and Tadpole. The band added vocalists to enter a middle school talent show.

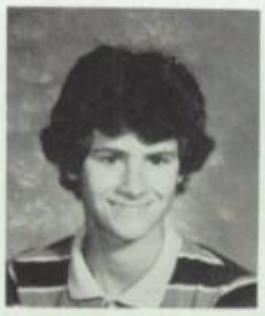
The band has performed for many benefits, the Raymore Homecoming, the Raymore Home Show, the Turkey Dinner to benefit the choir December 18, and the Foreign Language Club Jam Festival, April 19.

The band plays a variety of music; anything from the 50's "Johnny Be Good" and "Twist and Shout" to the present "Nobody" and "The Eye of the Tiger".

Brian's father, Eddie Dake, is a member of the band "Country Lights" and a major help and influence to the band. He & Brian have collaborated on some original songs.

For now, the members of the band practice weekly and do benefits and other shows that come along. "We enjoy working together," stated Brian.

"They're progressing fast. I'd like to see them go somewhere. They have got a lot of talent and potential," commented Mr. Dake.



Eugene Rogers
Robin Rogers

Susan Rogers
Tom Ruark

Pat Rusow
Mike Ruth

Mike "Tadpole" Arnold jams at a "Sound Wave" practice.

Sophomore Shawn McKarnin doesn't mind freshman Melissa Martin's friendliness in a scene from the play "Curtain Going Up". The play was held March 10-11.

Get to know you and your class . . . . . .

1983 Poll Taken

Just to show that there was more to the Freshman class than just being new to the high school, a poll was taken in March to reveal their personalities, likes, and dislikes.

The Freshman class proved to be very spirited this year and seemed to catch on to the high school way of things very quickly.

This poll was taken just to see how the differences in opinion would vary. About 150 freshman were polled and their answers were then tallied to bring on these interesting results.

A split was taken between the girls and the guys just to see how much alike they really were. All in all it seemed that most of the freshman had very much the same likes and dislikes. And these are the results that will prove it!

GIRLS VS. GUYS

1. Only 20% of the guys bring their lunches to school — they'd rather eat two of the schools! 2. 40% of the guys attend a church regularly. 3. A large 67% of the guys eat their wheaties every morning before coming to school. 4. Oh No!! Only a mere 17% of the guys would rather go steady than date around. 5. 90% of the freshman guys plan on college. 6. 47% of these future drivers did take drivers ed. next year. 7. 80% of the guys are allowed to date already. 8. 49% of the guys skipped a class or two this year. 9. Only 13% of the guys broke down and confessed to watching soap operas.

1. 48% of the freshman females bring their lunches to school-probably diet food, too! 2. 60% attend church every Sunday. 3. Only 27% of the girls eat a good breakfast every morning. 4. Watch out guys! 76% of the freshman girls would rather go steady than date around. 5. 61% plan on a college education. 6. 74% of these future roadhogs took drivers ed. next year. 7. Only 31% of the girls have permission to date. 8. 20% of the girls skipped a class sometime this year. 9. A large 77% of the girls are avid soap opera fans!

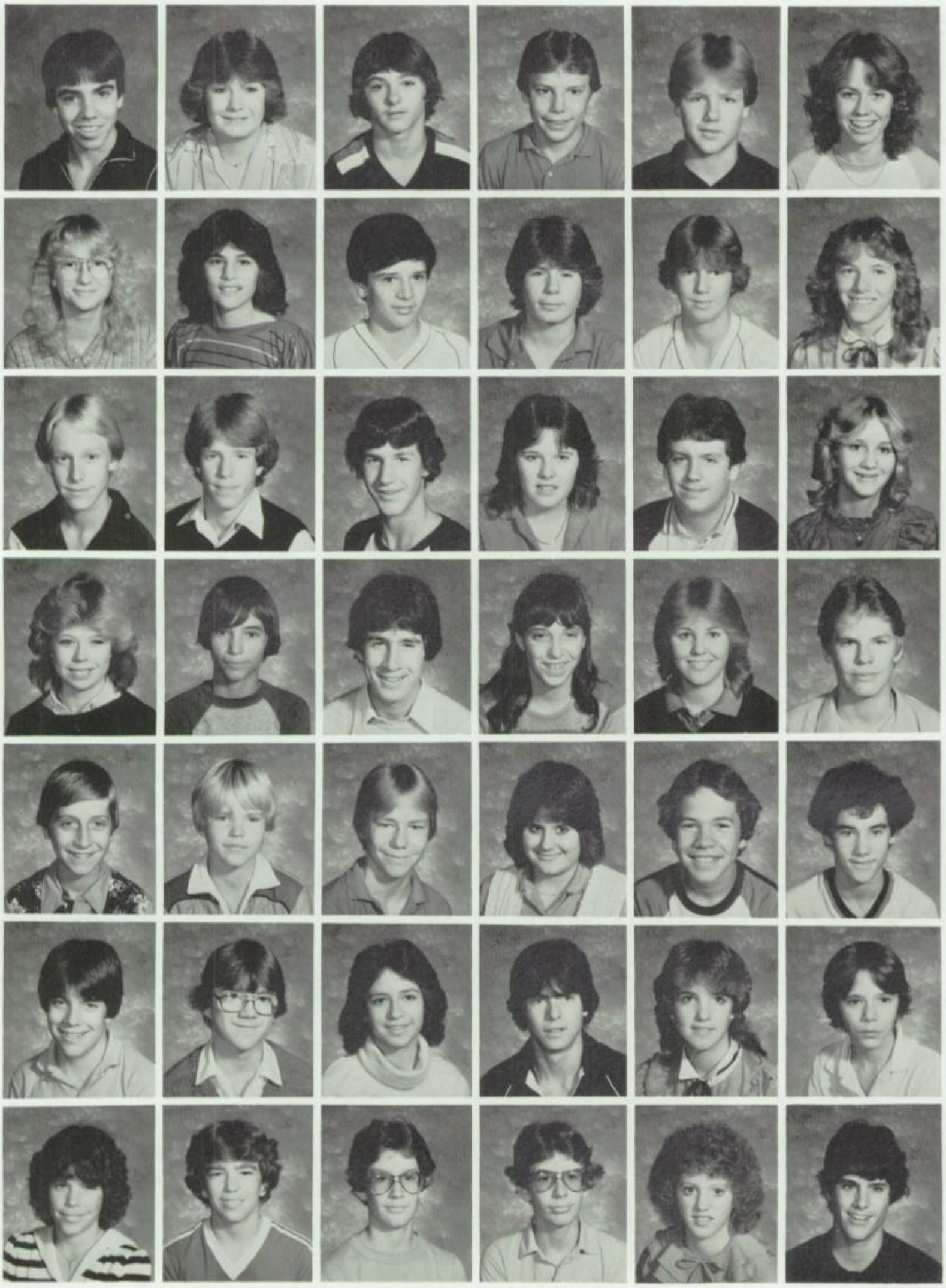
FAVORITES . . . . . .

1. Food: Pizza
2. Candy Bar: Snickers
3. Pizza Place: Godfather's
4. Ice Cream Flavor: Chocolate
5. Soda: Pepsi/Dr. Pepper
6. Sit-down restaurant: Red Lobster
7. Fast-food restaurant: McDonald's
8. Color: Blue
10. Soap Opera: All My Children

LEAST FAVORITES . . . . . .

1. Food: Spinach/Liver
2. TV Show: Dallas
3. Radio Station: 61 Country
4. Fast-food restaurant: Burger King
5. Sit-down restaurant: Shoney's
6. Soda: All diet sodas
7. Song: Ebony and Ivory
8. Ice Cream Flavor: Vanilla
9. Class: Physical Science
10. Aspect of School: Homework

— Lisa Bryan



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Todd Schock
Jeff Scholtens
Debbie Seal

Shirley Sears
Melissa Serres
Tim Setzer
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Artie Shireman
Kerry Simms

Freddy Slaughter
Scott Smith
Todd Smith
Krissy Spooner
Darrel Sprague
Debbie Staats

Robyn Staats
Kendall Staton
Jeff Stohr
Christine Sudmeyer
Dana Sutcliffe
Wayne Thomason

Joszef Toth
Lindy Trueblood
Chris Wallace
Shirley Waller
William Walworth
Matt Wansing

Tim Warder
Kevin Watson
Vida Watson
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Stephanie Wheeler
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Amy Whitaker
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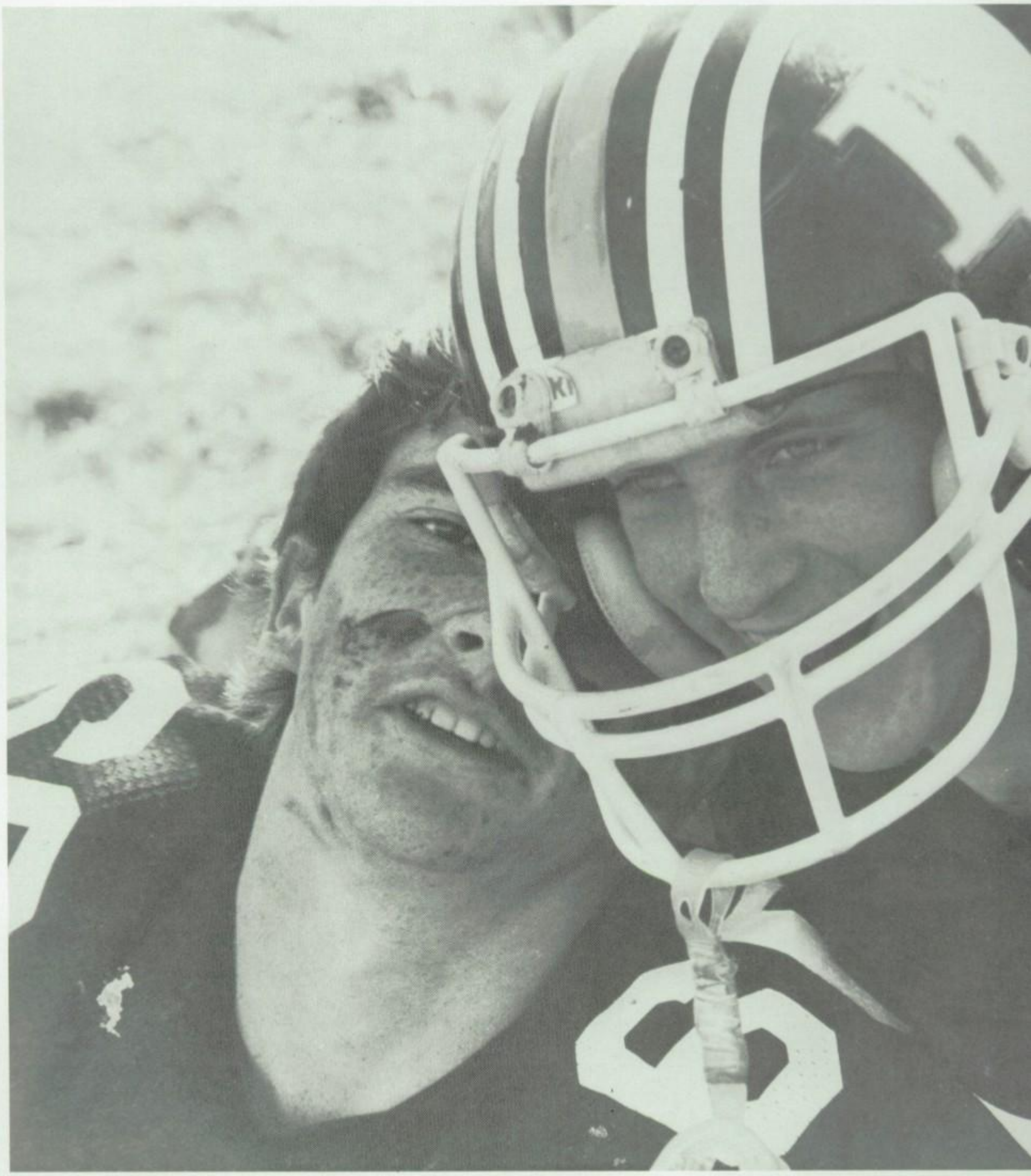


SPORTS

Booster Club supports sports program

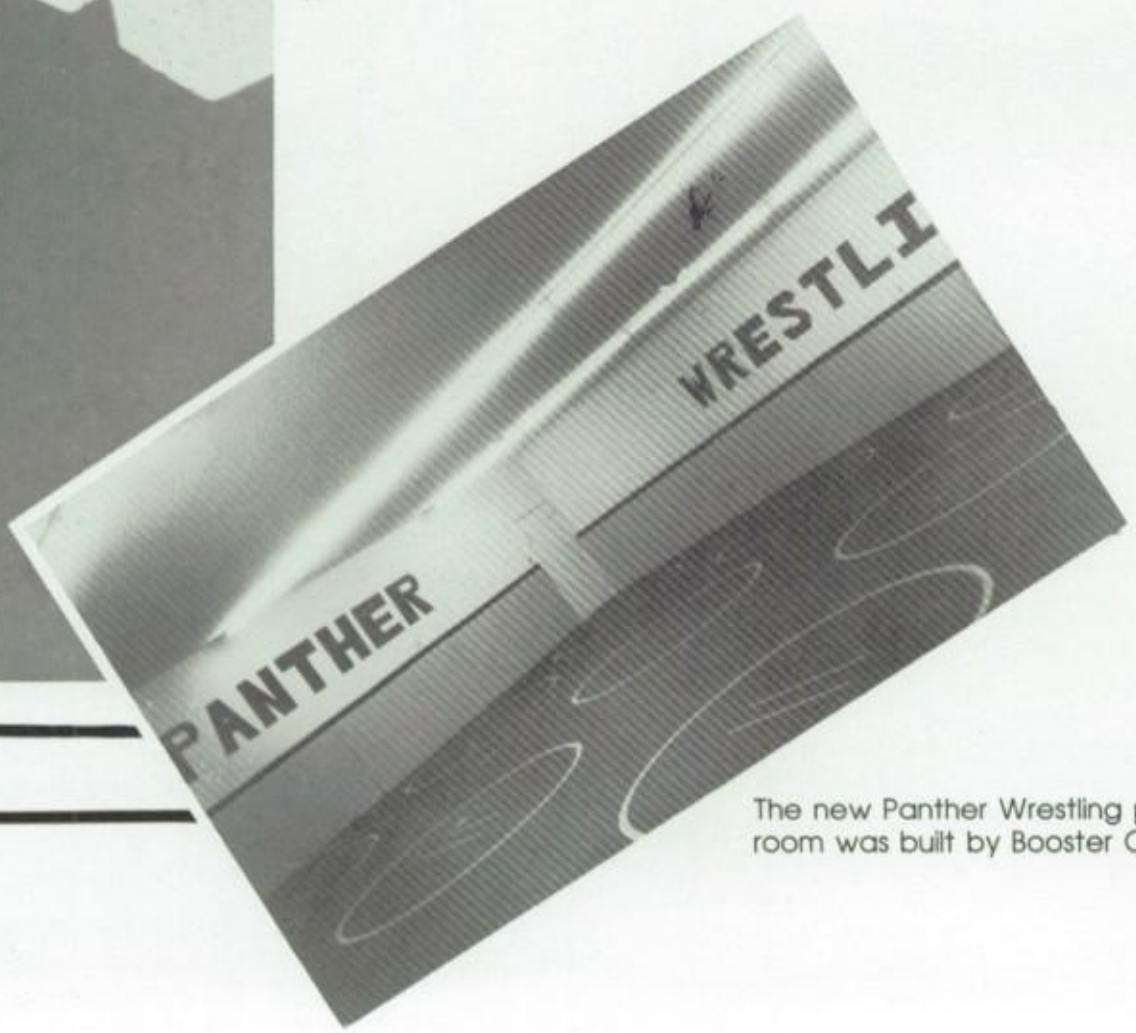
During the summer of '82 the Booster Club helped to build another new edition to our school which sits at the south end of our football field. This building is used for a number of reasons. The wrestlers use it for a practice room. Football and track use it for showers and locker rooms. It also has restrooms and a concession stand for the public during the games. "The building was started in August and still needs more work done to it," stated Coach Barbarick.

Our Booster Club is a big part of our sports. They are very busy doing many things. They have fund raising projects to help raise money for the athletic association. Every year that we have had a celebrity basketball game the Booster Club has sponsored them. The weight lifting room that is a new edition to our school was helped by the Booster Club.

Our sports are a big part of our school. From start to finish of the school year there is always some type of sport going on. Before school even starts in August, Football begins it's practice for the season; and finishing out the season at the end of the year are our baseball and track teams.

-Debbie Speer

Gordie Light and Alan Brewster, high on enthusiasm, show what it feels like to win.



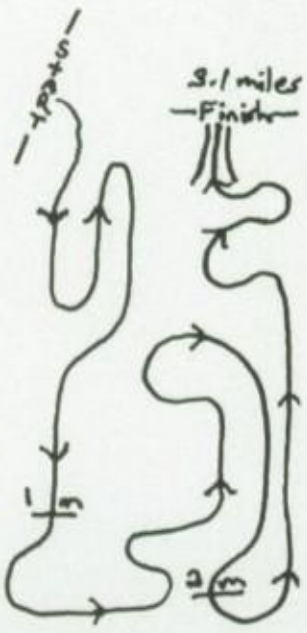
The new Panther Wrestling practice room was built by Booster Club

Best team ever

The 1982-83 season was the payoff from the last years of qualifying for State for the mighty Harriers. The seniors on the squad had all been to State before and knew what to expect. The Varsity team was expected to finish in the top ten by everyone, but their third place finish as a team was a surprise that was welcomed by all. It was the first time the school has ever won a State team trophy in any sport event. The Harriers won two invitationals, finished second at three others and were on the top 3A team in the Metro Area, in both Kansas and Missouri. The Harriers final record was an impressive 98 wins and 29 losses. At the Cross Country awards ceremony held at Raymore-Peculiar, the awards were given as follows: Most Improved, Russ Collins; Boy's Most Valuable Runner, Craig Lafferty; Girl's Most Valuable Runner, Amy Whitaker; Best J.V. Runner, Rick Delucea; Hustle/Dedication, Scott Smith. This year the Harriers had five runners in the District that made All Conference. They were Craig Lafferty, Sarah Amerson, Russ Collins, Amy Whitaker and Jeff Vaters. The Harriers had only two runners in the District top ten. They were Craig Lafferty and Russ Collins. With the loss of three Varsity senior the Varsity team will need a lot of help from the underclassman who were on this year's squad. Junior, Russ Collins finished 19th in the State and is expected to do even better next year. Coach Alan Klein said, "Our Captains Craig Lafferty and Brent York led the squad with a positive attitude and quiet determination to get through every workout. We reached four of our seven team goals and I can say as their coach, we have Panther Pride!" Craig Lafferty, captain of the Varsity team stated, "I really enjoyed Cross Country throughout my high school years. I appreciated the coaching and leadership of Mr. Klein and the friendship and cooperation of the entire Cross Country team. I hope the future teams are as great as ours." — Craig Lafferty

Junior Varsity-First row: Lindy Trueblood, Ed Woodward, Shawn Jones. Second row: Scott Smith, Rick Collins, Glenn Sanford, Shawn Wallace. Third row: Rick Delucca, David Cobb.

	Varsity	J.V.
Park Hill	10th	8th
Ray-Pec	1st	1st
Liberty	8th	7th
Savior of World	3rd	—
Warrens. Quad	2nd	2nd
Blue Valley	2nd	1st
Excelsior Sp.	4th	5th
Clinton	1st	1st
Knob Noster	3rd	2nd
*Conference	2nd	2nd
*District	2nd	—
*State	3rd	—

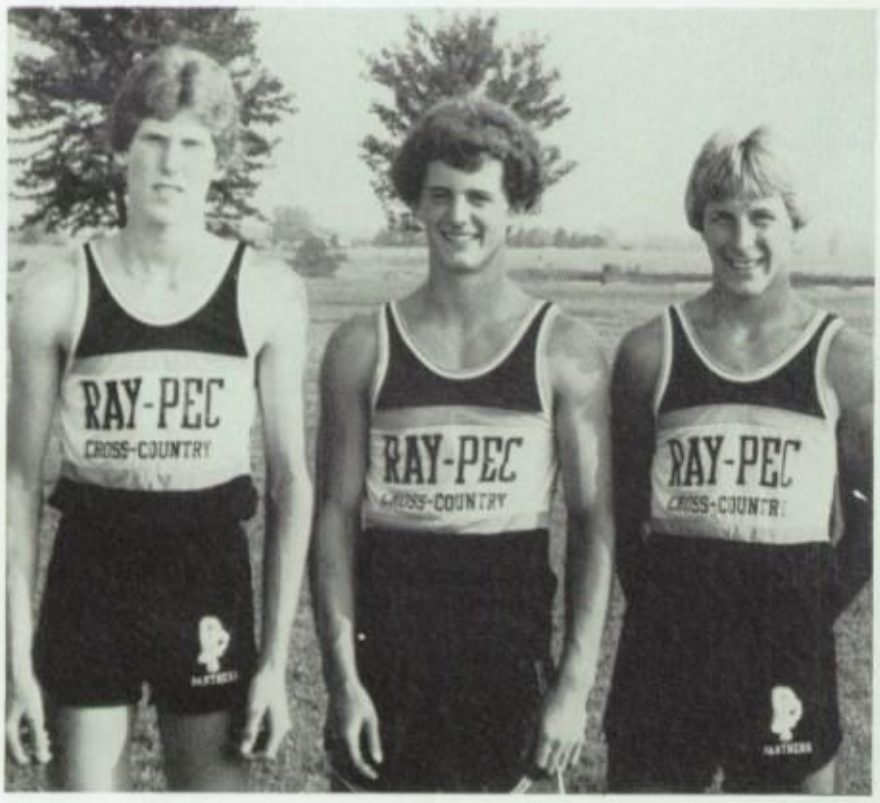


Senior Brent York strides to do his best at the conference meet held at Pertle Springs Gold Course in Warrsnsburg. Brent barely missed making All-Conference with a 13th place finish.

Senior, Craig Lafferty, leads the race at a 4A meet in Es. Springs where the Harriers finished 4th out of 18 schools.

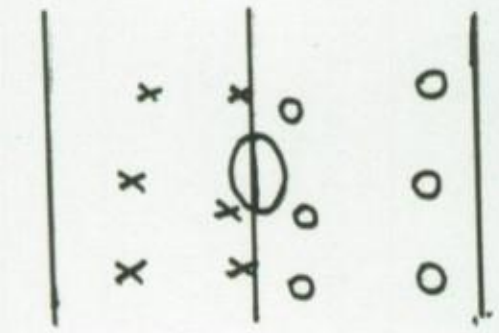
Varsity Boys-Front row: Jeff Vaters, Randy Woodward, John Lucas, Scott York, Chris DeLuca, Russ Collins. Back row: Brent York, Craig Lafferty, Rick Rogers, Corner, Coach Alan Klein.

Varsity Girls-Becky Brown, Sarah Amerson, Amy Whitaker, Diana Reed. Coach Clayton, Varsity girls coach, is not pictured.

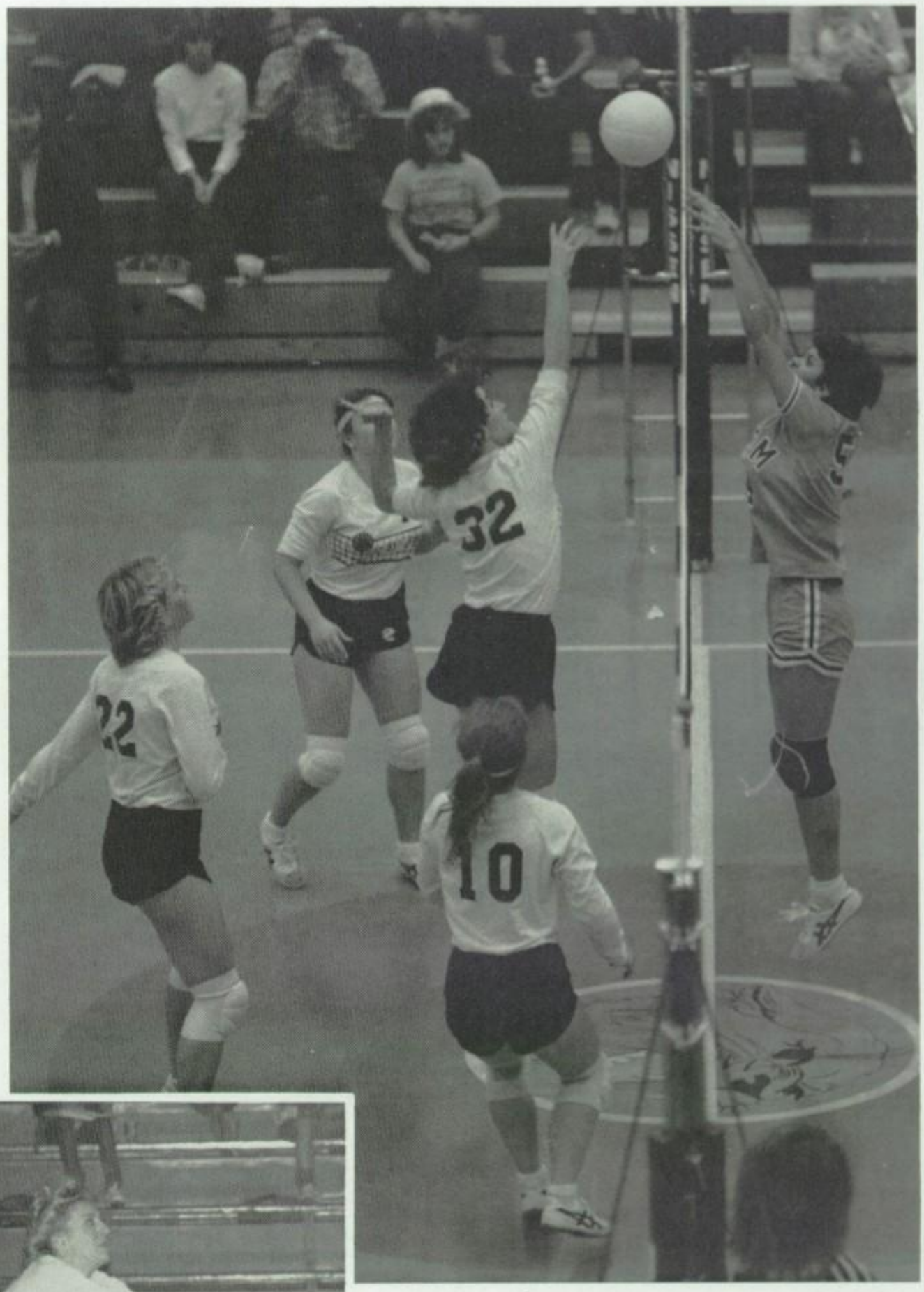


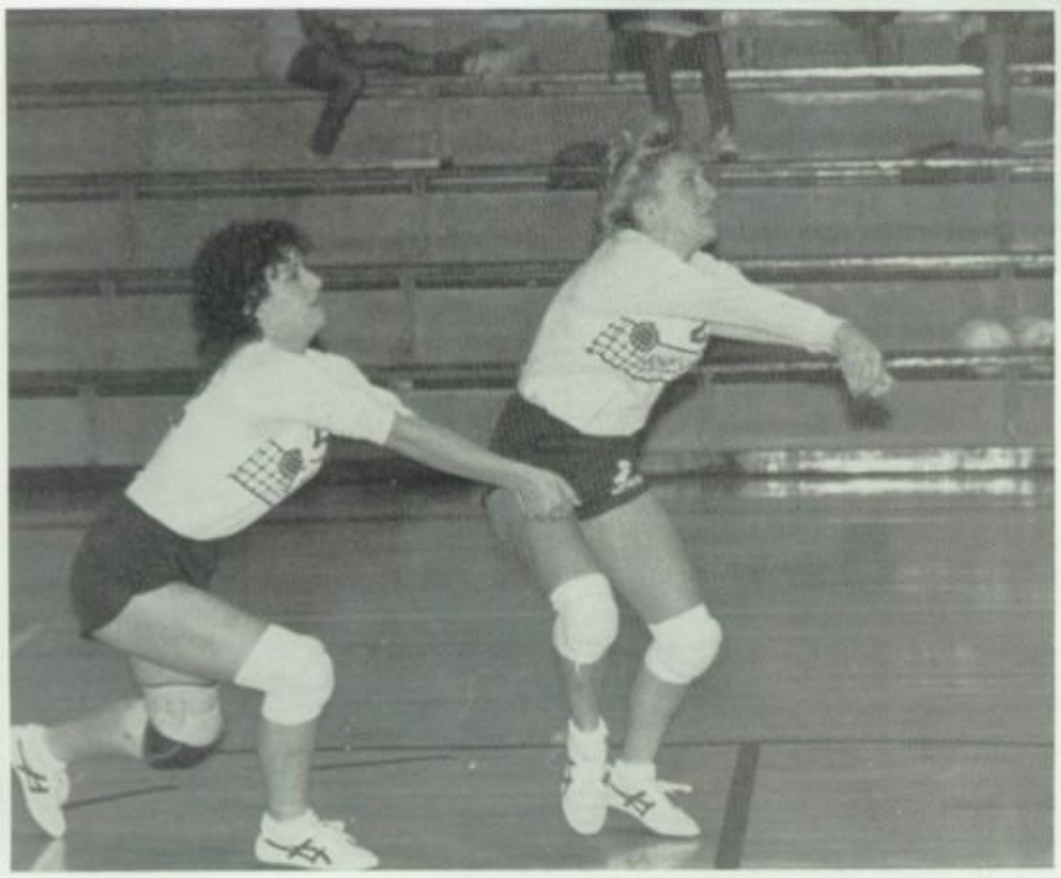
Seniors; Rick Rogers, Brent York and Craig Lafferty have been a leading force on the Varsity Team throughout high school.

Sarah Amerson and Amy Whitaker shoot for the lead.



	RP	RP
Butler	5-15	7-15
H'ville	5-15	7-15
P. Hill	13-15	12-15
St. Mary's	15-12	9-15
W'burg	5-15	6-15
Gr. Valley	8-15	9-15
Center	5-15	8-15
Nevada	4-15	5-15
Belton	7-15	6-15
Ex. Springs	15-10	15-9
Ruskin	11-15	12-15
B. Hogan	3-15	9-15
O'hara	15-7	16-14
L. Summit	15-9	11-15
St. Pius	0-15	6-15

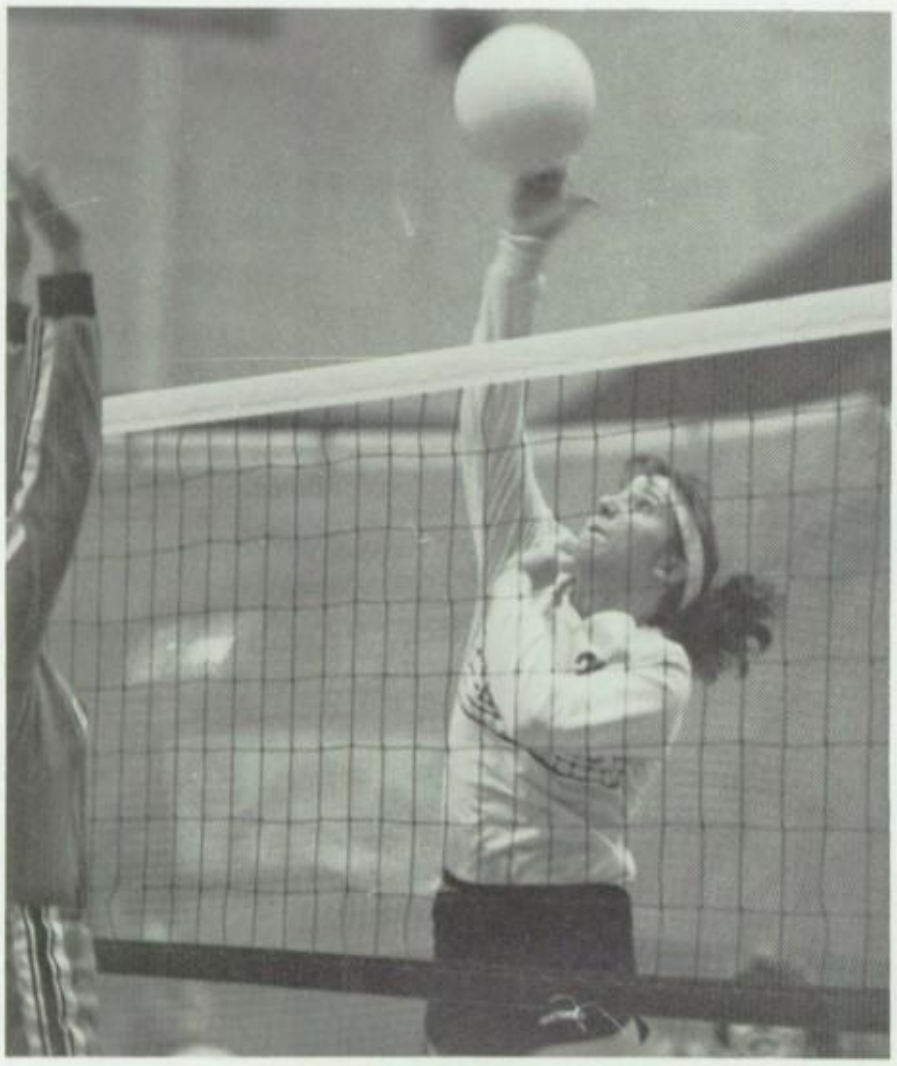




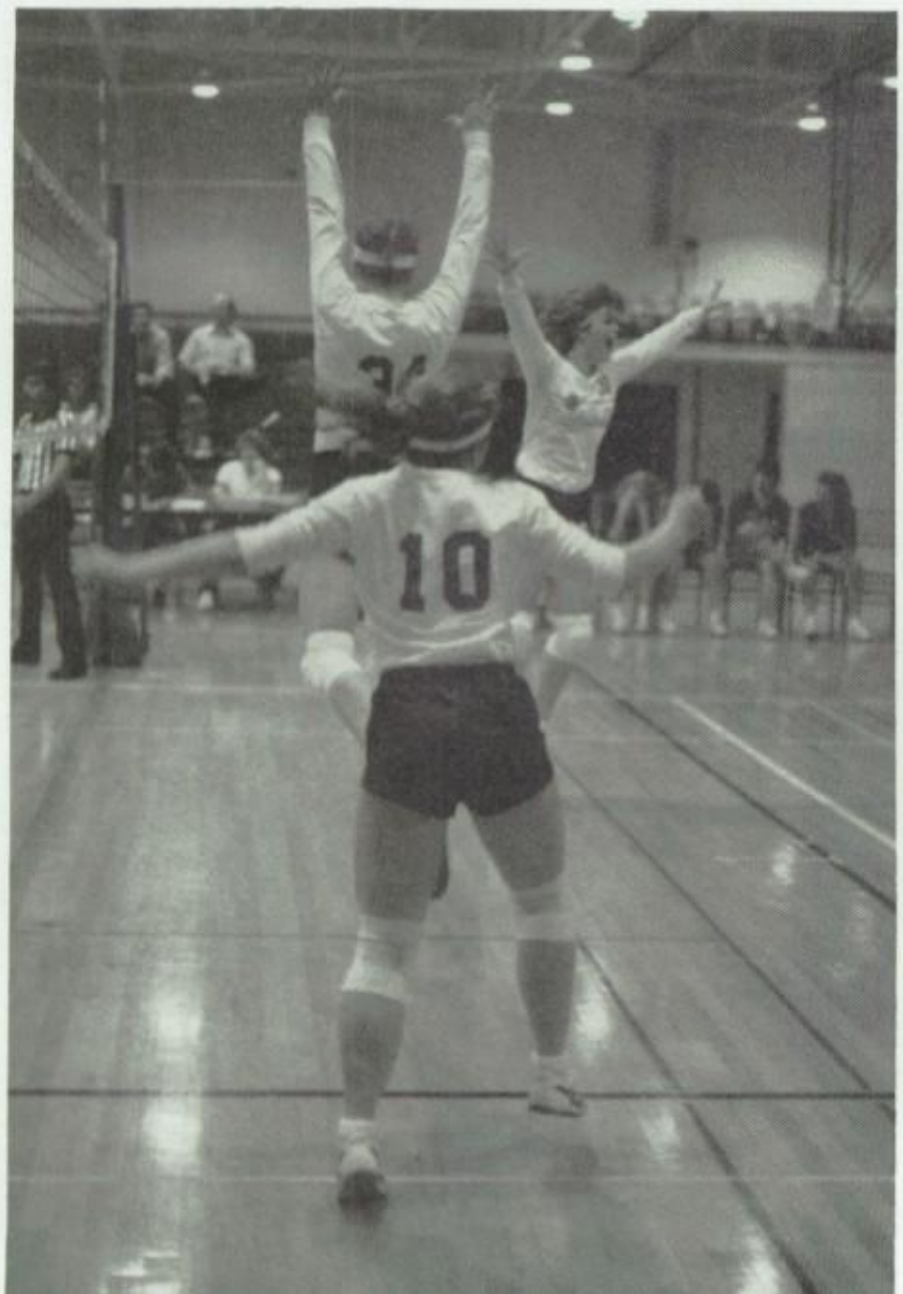
Lori Hendon, sophomore, Jeanette Harper, junior, Tina Steinke, senior, and Tammy Knight, junior, are prepared for the block against Salem as they are fighting for their consolation game at Hickman Mills. They won the match in three games for the third place trophy.

Lori and Tammy work together to pass the ball as the girls defeated Center on the road to state. Lori and Tammy both received All Conference Honors during the season.

Volleyball goes to state playoffs



All Conference player Heather Raw spikes the ball at state.



Girls are at their best

Memories that will never be forgotten is how Coach Fitzpatrick feels about her team's successful season. The team received conference honors and later captured district, Raymore-Peculiar was also selected this year to hold the District Playoffs. The team didn't stop there, they went on to win Sub-State. The team went on to receive a third place trophy.

Heather Raw, a senior on the team stated, "We had an excellent season and I felt as though the team met all the goals we set out to." She also felt as though the team grew as a family which helped greatly in capturing third at State.

The overall record of the team was 19-5-1. The girls lost to Excelsior Springs and O'Hara early in the season, but beat the two teams when the crucial time came.

Many Conference honors were given this year. All Conference was awarded to Heather Raw, Tina Steinke, Lori Hendon, and Tammy Knight. Dana Ober received Honorable Mention in the Conference.

Jeannette Harper stated, "I felt as though volleyball finally received the recognition it has deserved all along." —Dana Calonge

Coach Smith, Tammi Theile, Heather Raw, Dana Ober, Kirsty Stewart, Tammy Knight, Coach Fitzpatrick, Debbie Harmon, Tina Steinke, Jeanette Harper, Cecilia Iseman, Chris Hey, Lori Hendon.

Dana Ober, Heather Raw, and Jeanette Harper celebrate their victory at state.

J.V. has a good season

The J.V. girls Volleyball season seemed to be nothing less than exciting. Their overall record was 13 wins and 2 losses. Coach Smith stated, "We had the most outstanding season that the Junior Varsity has ever had. I feel that this was the best J.V. team we have ever had and that the team next year will carry on the winning tradition."

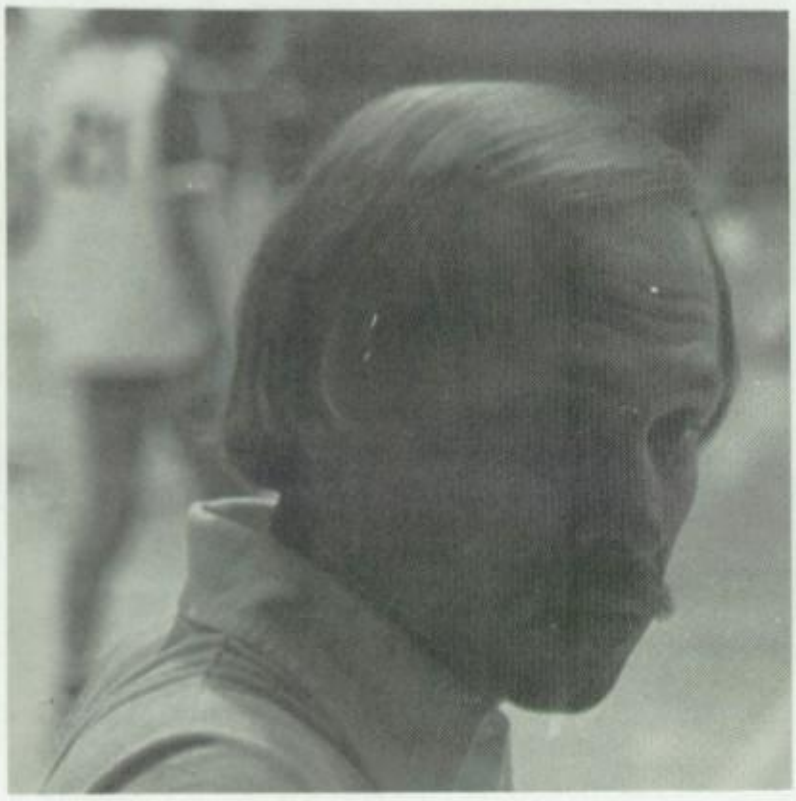
The Panthers traveled to the Grain Valley Tournament, for the second year in a row, where the girls ended up playing 5 matches and the team came out undefeated. They went on to win the tournament once again.

The J.V.'s only conference loss during the season was to Warrensburg, and the second one was to Lee's Summit. They defeated such teams as O'Hara, St. Pius X, Harrisonville, and Notre Dame.

The J.V. team consisted of 6 freshmen, five sophomores, and four juniors. The team was strong in every area. They had strong setters, spikers, and servers. Their serves were 9 for the season. These all prove to be good points for a very strong team next year. Tiffany Davenport, a sophomore on the team, stated this about the season, "I felt that we had an excellent season and I'm really looking forward to Varsity action in the future."

"Throughout the season they played consistently; the freshmen played well too," Coach Smith stated. There were 15 players on the J.V. team which will help greatly toward the future Varsity squad.

Dana Calonge



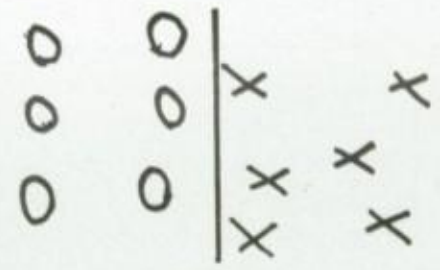
Coach Smith looks on as the Panthers prepare for a match.

Sarabeth Webb watches as her teammates dive for the save.

J.V. coaches instruct players as game is in progress.

The J.V. girls huddle before going back on the court to play.

J.V. front row: Diana Greene, Janette Harper, Tracy Buck, Michelle Cox, Jena Murphy back row: Kim Hunter, Dana Sutcliffe, Sarabeth Webb, Tiffany Davenport, Stephanie Ellis, Becky Chaves.



O'Hara -	5-15, 15-6, 15-12
Lee Summit -	13-15, 8-15
St. Piux X -	15-2, 15-9
Harrisonville -	15-4, 8-15, 15-2
Notre Dame -	15-4, 6-15, 15-11
Warrensburg -	9-15, 11-15

R-P loses dreams of state

For seniors, it happened for the fourth and last time in three years. The powerful green and gold O'Hara Celtics put an end to a "new beginning," the theme of the 1982 football season.

The coaching staff, headed by Terry Santone, set the theme as, "Football '92, A New Beginning." And a new beginning it was as the Panther team came from a 2 win, 6 loss record in 1981 to a 6-4 record, second place tie for conference and advanced to district playoffs.

Mark Roach made believers out of the non-believers, that Ray-Pec wasn't a joke when he scored three touchdowns in the third quarter against Lexington in the season opener. Ray-Pec defeated Nevada before they came upon their first conference game of the season.

The Celtics of O'Hara rolled over the Panthers 21-0. Mark Files stated, "O'Hara was quick and strong but the thing that hurt us the most was when they scored that touchdown on the very first offensive play of the game. In many ways it was a good touchdown run by their star running back, J. R. Brown, but he was also very lucky."

Conference rival, the Harrisonville Wildcats suprised Raymore-Peculiar by defeating them 9 to 6. The Panthers out ran, out passed, and had less penalities than the Wildcats but failed to out do the Cats in the most important part of the game, the score. If R-P would have won that game, their goals of going to state playoffs would have been all but assured. "Part of the problem was we were looking to state playoffs instead of taking one game at a time," commented senior, Kevin Bearden. The 9-6 loss to the Cats meant the Panther team had to win in order to advance to district playoffs.

R-P fans line up for a spirit line before the Panthers battled Pleasant Hill.

It came down to the final game of the season. Pleasant Hill had to beat Harrisonville while Ray-Pec had to defeat their neighbors, Belton. R-P was threatened some what when Belton scored a touchdown directly after Jeff Ganaden connected a pass to Scott Willis for a touchdown. R-P went on to take control of the game while they awaited to hear the out come of the Harrisonville game. The Panther locker room became as though it were the winning locker room of the super bowl game when the news came that Harrisonville was defeated.

Now the Panthers once again faced the O'Hara Celtics but this time the stakes were much higher, for the winner went on to state playoffs. The game was played at Center High School because O'Hara doesn't have lights.

In the first quarter of play, Mark Roach broke away on a 78 yard touchdown run. Mark Files kicked the extra point giving R-P a 7-0 advantage. The Panther defense kept the powerful Celtic team from scoring a touchdown but in the second quarter O'Hara was able to kick two field goals, one of which was a 42 yard kick. The Panthers just needed to hold onto the ball and let time run out as they held a 7-6 lead but late in the 4th quarter Mark Roach was tackled in the end-zone to give a 2 point safety call to O'Hara, thus ending the 1982 season. (O'Hara went on to finish 2nd in the state.) — Randy Oakley

The varsity football players show their pride in the locker room after defeating Nevada 19-13.

Brian Smith and Tim Grossman tackle a Warrensburg running back.

Panther offense lines up against Lexington.

Randy Oakley and Mark Wansing hit Clint Harkrader during summer practice.

Front row-Ken Baum, Gary Renshaw, Kelly Harper, Frank Dunnington, Steve Roach, Mark Wansing, Mike Buffon, Jeff Corbin, Fred Birkett. 2nd row-Danny Antrim, Robert Warder, Mark Files, Scott LaValle, Brian Spencer, Todd Livingston, Jeff Jones, Melvin Bradley, Randy Oakley, Kevin Christy. 3rd row-Ted Martin, Brian Bremer, Gene Murphy, Otto Haas, Jeff Ganaden, Terry DeVille, Brian Smith, Roger Brattin, Kevin Flowers, Brian Everhardt. 4th row -Scott Reed, Dale Barnes, Mike Watts, Gordie Light, Alan Brewster, Brad Quest, Sean Martin, Heath Kuykendahl, Scott Willis, Ron Lininger, Russell Miller. 5th row-Mark Roach, Jon Ament, David Loney, Tim Grossman, Steve Tompkins, Clint Harkrader, Kevin Bearden, Jim Stella.

Two coaches leave . . .

New season on the way

Many changes have taken place this past 1982 football season. It was a very memorable year for all the players, the coaches, and the many fans.

One change was the improvement from last year's record which was 2 wins and 6 losses, to this year's record with 6 wins and 4 losses.

Something else will be different, too. Terry Santone, Head Football Coach and Athletic Director, resigned at the close of the season. Coach Santone's first year at Ray-Pec was back in 1976. Since then, he has done much for the entire athletic program. Senior Kevin Bearden had this to say about him, "I feel that he's helped our program quite a bit and I'm sure he'll be missed because he really helped us lots."

Coach Santone, though, wasn't the only member of the coaching staff to leave. Cy Ritter, the offensive receiver coach, also resigned to pursue a career in law enforcement. He had been here since 1980. Jeff Ganaden, junior and starting quarterback, thinks the coaching changes will be beneficial, but he'll miss Coach Ritter lots.

Two members of this year's football squad were recognized for their outstanding jobs throughout the season. Tommy DeVille, senior, received honors in All-District, All-Metro, and was chosen for 2nd Team State. Another senior, Mark Roach, also received the same awards. Mark was also voted the Most Valuable Player for his many contributions to the 1982 team.

Senior captain Gordie Light, thought they had a successful season, and felt honored to be chosen as a captain of the team.

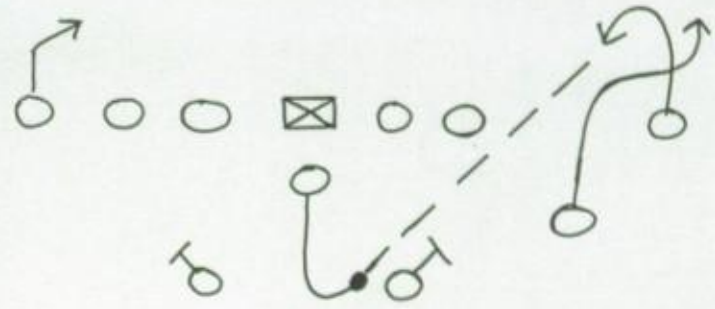
Coach Davis gave us this summary of the year. "I think we probably could have done lots better, and we should have beaten O'Hara (at district), Harrisonville, and St. Pius, too. It was just a very frustrating season; it seemed as if we could have been broken through to the playoffs, but we just didn't get any good breaks."

Now we must look ahead to the next season, and hope it will be just as successful, if not more so. Junior Roger Brattin feels that next year the practices will probably be the same, but the plays will definitely be different.

Next year will hold many changes. This year's senior's will be gone, the juniors will be the leaders, and some of the freshmen will be on Varsity. But one thing that will never change are the memories we'll always have. — Shannon McWilliams

Coach Cy Ritter explains a play during the Homecoming victory of 25-20.

Mark Wansing punts for 45 yards, while Kevin Christy provides a block.



All Conference: Mark Roach, Kevin Bearden, Mike Watts, Alan Brewster, David Loney, Jeff Ganaden, Tommy Deville, Kevin Christy, Gordie Light, Tim Grossman, Dale Barnes, Roger Brattin, Scott Reed, Mark Wansing, Brad Quest, Scott Willis, Kevin Flowers.

R-P		Opp.
19	Lexington	13
19	Nevada	13
0	O'Hara	21
27	P-Hill	12
25	Warrensburg	20
6	H'ville	9
13	St. Pius	19
21	St. Mary's	6
21	Belton	12
7	O'Hara	8

Quarterback Jeff Ganaden hands off to Senior Mark Roach to gain some Panther yardage against Warrensburg.

Kevin Bearden breaks through a tackle at the Homecoming game.

David Loney struggles for some extra yards against Nevada.

Coach Terry Santone looks on. This was his last year as head football coach.

Frosh

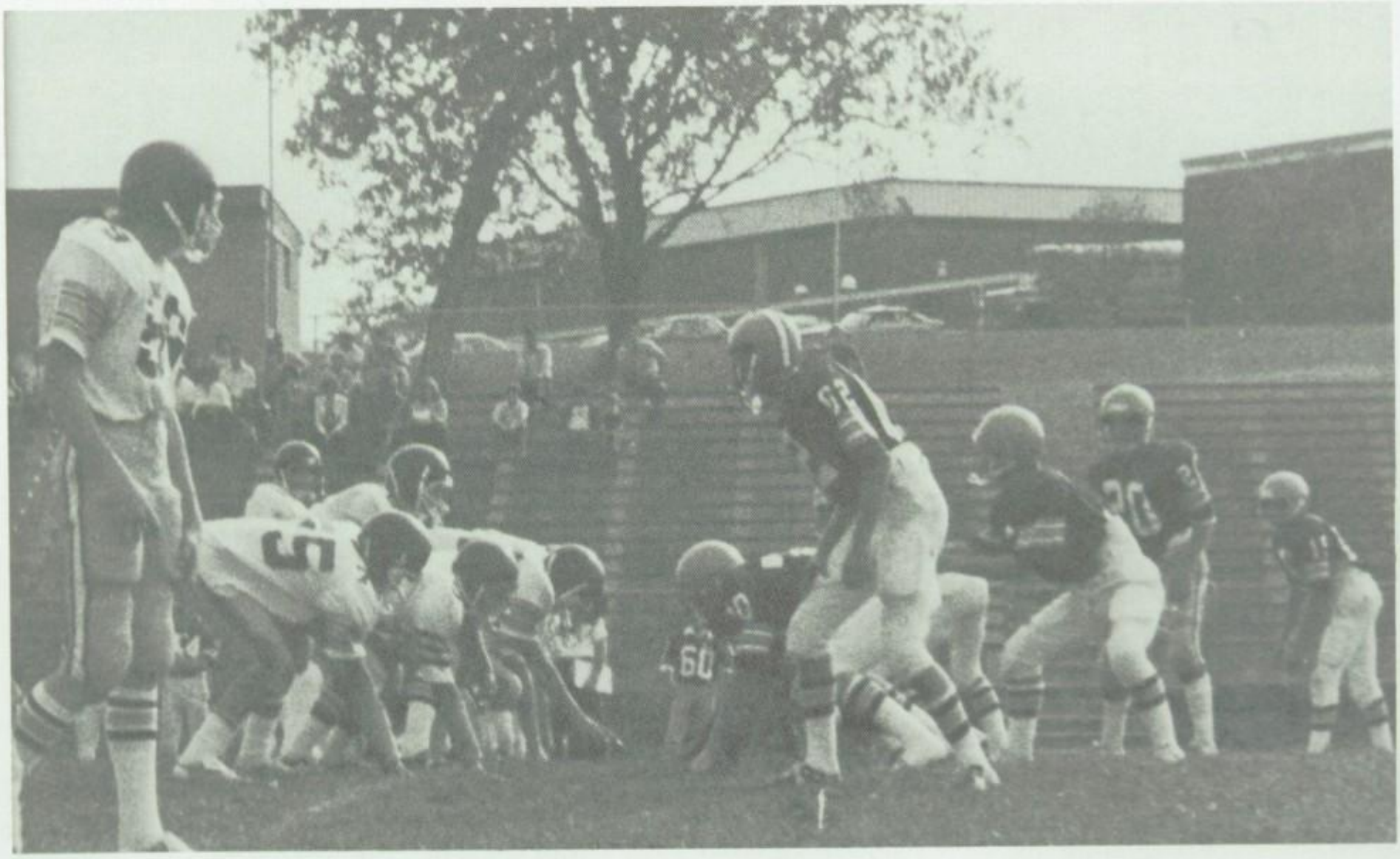
The 1982 freshmen football team was four points short of an undefeated season. The team ended the year with a fine 4-1 record. The team had a strong offense and a crushing defense, scoring 116 points and yeilding just 24 points.

Shawn Crabtree felt they had a successful season because Coach Walton worked well with them, and because they had fun.

The freshmen are not recognized a great deal, but one way to get attention is to be an important player and to be honored with the MVP award. The most valuable freshmen of 1982 was Tommy Kruse. He said that as a leader of the team he had to be outgoing, and had to be able to handle the responsibilities, and to have the team's respect.

Coach Walton, this being his first year at Ray-Pec, was very proud of his team. "This team had good talent and they were hard workers. If this group stays together, Raymore-Peculiar can look for some exciting football in the future. It was a real enjoyable experience working with this group of young men." — Shannon McWilliams

Freshmen offensive team lines up against O'Hara.



Head Freshmen Coach, Larry Walton and assistant coach B.W. Collins were new to the Panther staff this year.

The Freshmen defense show the Panther's form against the O'Hara Celtics. The Celtics went on to defeat R-P 16-12.

Front row: Shawn Crabtree, Tracy Jackson, Ron Holloway, Mike Graves, Fred Slaughter, Tommy Kruse, Greg Plimmer, Billy Garmon, David Crabtree, Mike Jacobs, Darryl Sprague. Back row: Craig Johnson, John Miller, Todd Smith, Paul Kahl, Stanley Roach, Danny Everhart, Jeff Pendergraft, Wayne Thomason, Mark Hill, Brad Blackwell, Brian Dake.

Freshman

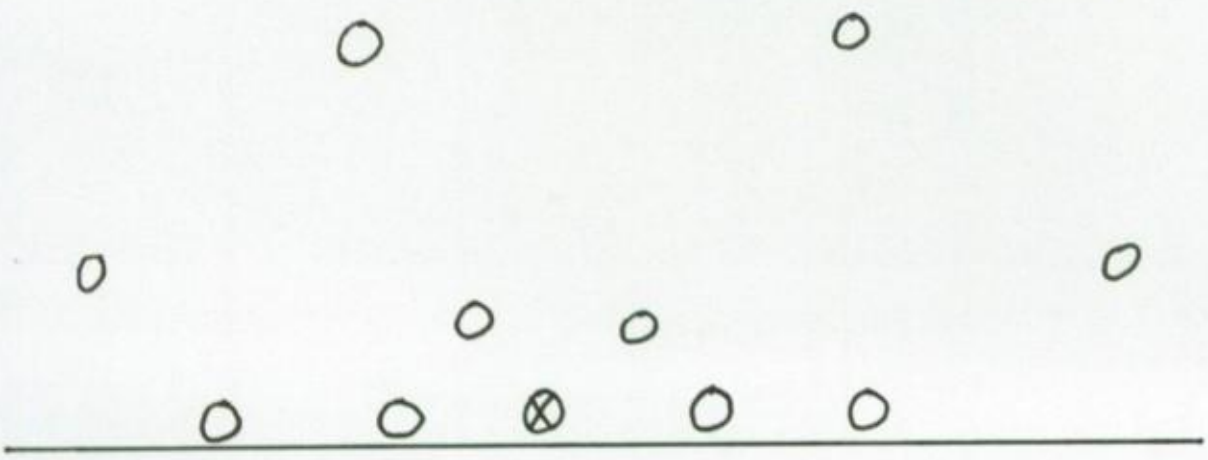
R.P.	26	Belton	0
R.P.	46	St. Mary's	6
R.P.	12	O'Hara	16
R.P.	20	Oak Grove	0
R.P.	8	Warrensburg	6

MVP-Tommy Kruse

Junior Varsity

Nevada	Won
O'Hara	Lost
Clinton	Lost
Oak Grove	Lost
Warrensburg	Won
Harrisonville	Won
St. Mary's	Won

MVP-Brian Woodfine



Future Varsity is in hands of J.V.

"Junior Varsity." The technical name of the underdogs. Those players who are only one step away from being on Varsity; only one step short of having enough experience; but at the right step for having fun.

The 1982 J.V. football team had an ending record of 4 wins and 3 losses. They had a tough schedule and lost to three good teams; O'Hara, Clinton, and Oak Grove.

Sean Martin, sophomore, was asked if he thought J.V. was different fom Varsity. His response was this, "It is a little. Sure, you get experience for Varsity, and if you mess up it's not that big of a deal, but the best thing is that it's pressure-free."

On the Junior Varsity squad, only one award is given to one of the outstanding players. That award is the Most Valuable Player award, and this year's MVP was Brian Woodfine. Coach Ritter described him, "If you want to gain some yardage, give the ball to Brian." Brian said that in games he did get to run the ball, catch some passes, and do other things. He had no idea he would get the award.

Another sophomore, Danny Antrim, said this about learning on J.V., "We run basically the same plays and we get an idea of what Varsity is like, especially coming up from the freshmen team. But J.V. really kicks, and it's a great deal of fun."

Just because J.V.'ers have fun though, doesn't mean that they don't take the game seriously. Otto Haas felt that he did take the game for more than a fun time. He said there was good spirit and good leadership.

The Junior Varsity team holds the future of the Varsity squad.

— Shannon McWilliams

Claim two trophies, 2nd at district

"Wanted-The 1982-83 boys basketball team for shooting toward a West Central Conference championship. Breaking and entering their opponents backcourt with the intent to score. Harrassing all opponents backcourt with the intent to score. Harrassing all opponents with a devastating pressure defense." These were the guidelines and goals of the varsity boys' team.

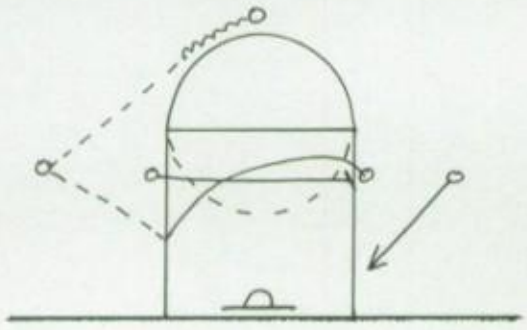
Some highlights of the season came when Ray-Pec defeated conference rival, the Harrisonville Wildcats, twice in the 58th annual Pleasant Hill and Clinton tournaments to bring home two 3rd place trophies. But, on the other hand, the same disappointments came about when Harrisonville defeated Ray-Pec in regular season play.

The Panthers pushed confrence competitor, the Warrensburg Tigers, (also ranked 3rd in the state) to the limit in their first match up of the season. In the middle of the third quarter, R-P held a 9-point edge over the Tigers. Ray-Pec made a few key turnovers and the Tigers took advantage. Warrensburg defeated R-P 56-48. Senior Kevin Bearden stated, "We didn't play with enough intensity at the end. We let our own mistakes beat us."

During regional play the Panthers destroyed Pleasant Hill to advance to the semi-final game against Clinton. Earlier in the season Clinton walked over the Panthers. For the first three quarters, it looked as though it would be the last game of the season for the Panthers. But, R-P didn't let the 46-38 third quarter disadvantage stop them as they went on to defeat Clinton 54-53.

In the second regular season match-up between Ray-Pec and Warrensburg, Warrensburg destroyed the Panthers 85-56. The Panthers had to face the tough Tiger team once again for the district championship game. Ray-Pec came out better than ever scoring 8 points before Warrensburg even scored, but after a Tiger timeout, the Tigers took control of the game leaving R-P with a 2nd place district plaque. Warrensburg went on to take second place in the state.

-Randy Oakley

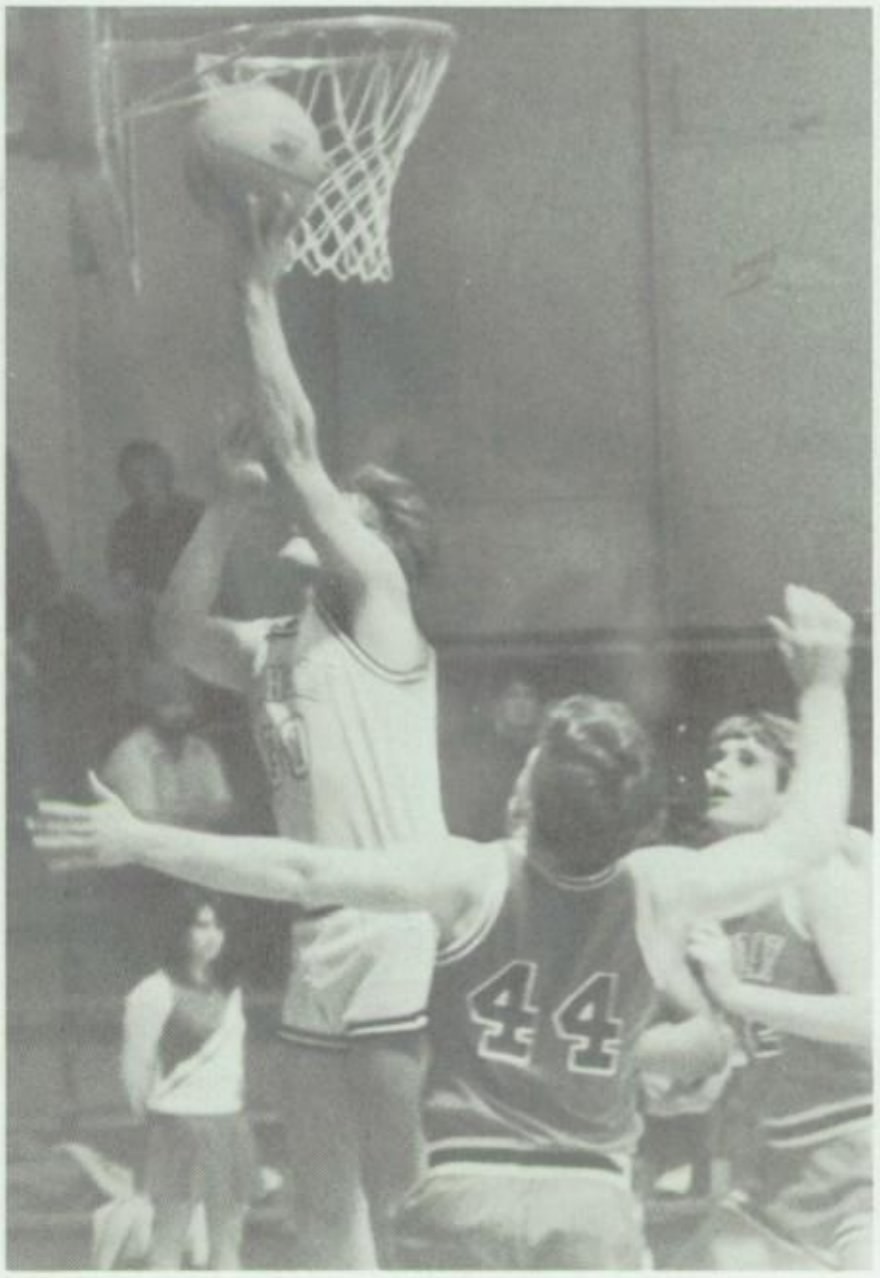


Head coach, Bill Lenz, Jeff Beckett, Jeff Ganaden, Keven Christy, Brad Sparks, assistant coach, Kelly Smith, Back row-mgn. Ted martin, Kevin Bearden, Mitch Meiron, Eric Slover, Mike Watts, Mike Cambell, Terry Porter, mgn. John Contrell.

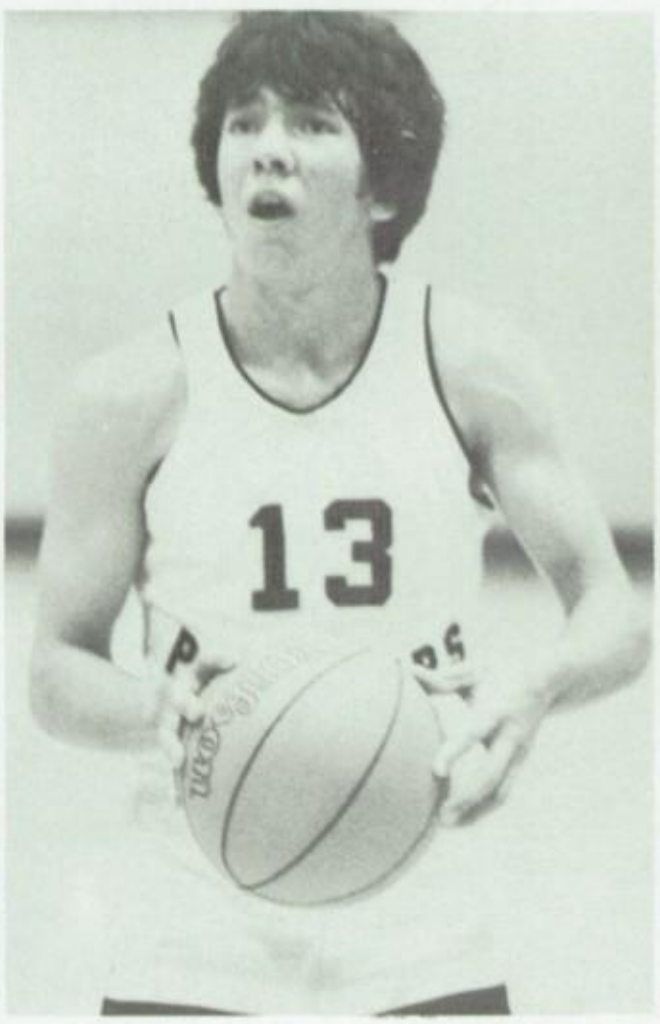
R-P			Opp
w	65	Odessa	56
l	47	Clinton	56
w	75	Kearney	59
w	61	Belton	46
l	64	Harrisonville	72
l	70	Marshall	71
w	72	Harrisonville	64
w	72	St. Mary's	66
w	60	O'Hara	49
w	54	Belton	42
l	52	Nevada	56
w	58	Harrisonville	43
l	57	Harrisonville	62
l	48	Warrensburg	56
w	70	Pem Day	53
l	57	St. Mary's	59
w	59	Nevada	58
l	56	Warrensburg	85
w	61	Pleasant Hill	44
l	55	O'Hara	68
w	69	Pleasant Hill	48
w	54	Clinton	53

Senior, Eric Slover, puts in two points against Warrensburg. R-P lost the district championship game 52-65.

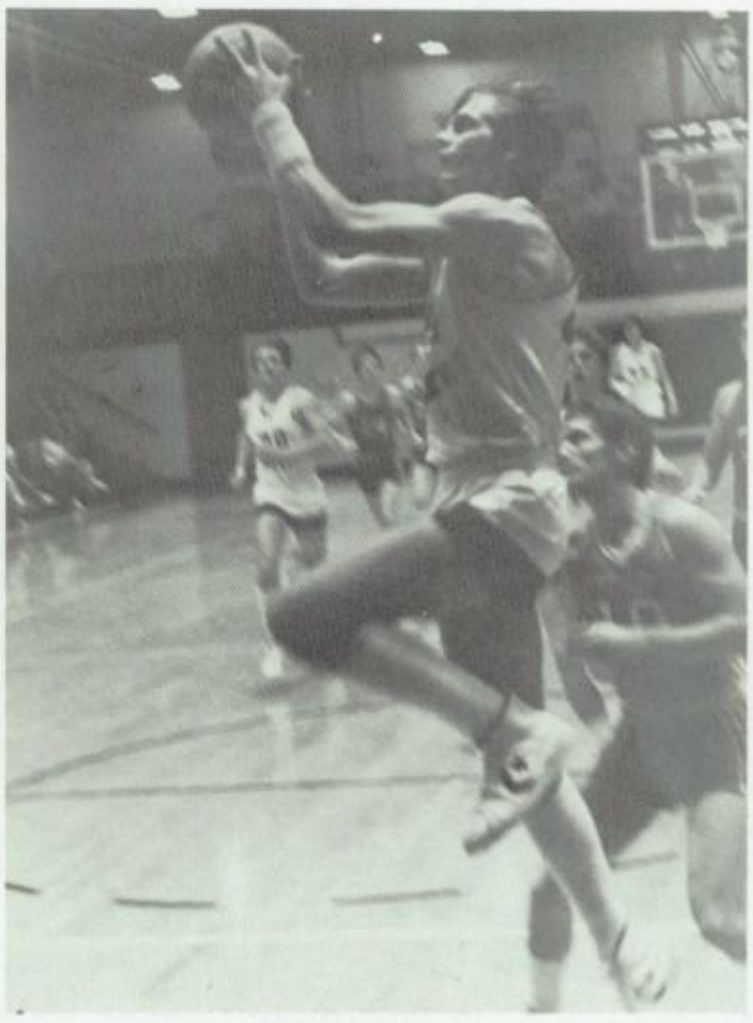
Terry Porter with a jump shot against the Kearney Bulldogs.



The Raiders of Pem Day watch as Kevin Bearden puts in 2 more points to add to the Panthers 70-53 victory.



Junior, Jeff Ganaden concentrates while shooting a free throw.



Mitch Meiron lays it up on a fast break.

George Farril leaps over Celtic defenders for a jump shot. The freshmen Panthers defeated the tough O'Hara team.

Underclass basketball ends with 27-6 record

Improvement, experience, and winning are the main objectives of the freshmen and junior varsity teams. The freshmen demonstrated a very outstanding season posting a 15-1 record while the J.V. had a 12-5 record.

The freshmen defeated Harrisonville in the championship game in the Adrian tournament. Ray-Pec hosted a freshmen and sophomore tournament. Tommy Kruse scored 30 points to lead the Ray-Pec to a very decisive victory over Oak Grove. R-P won 62-19. The sophomores also captured first place by defeating St. Mary's.

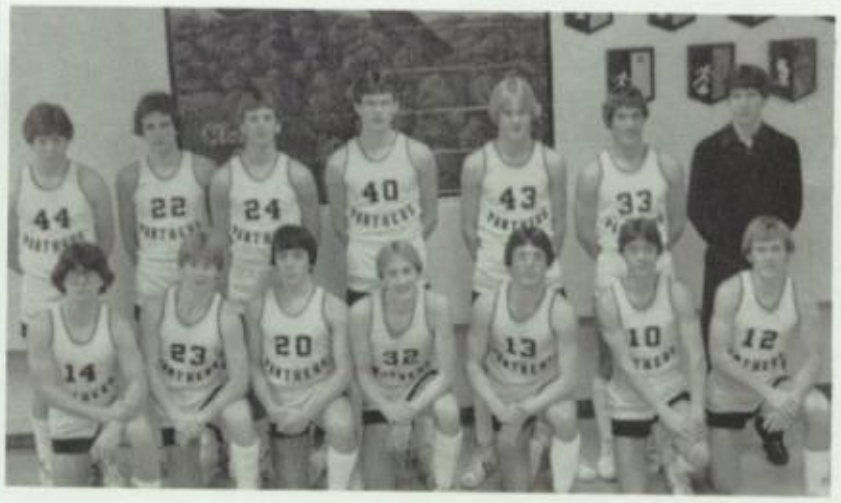
Lee's Summit gave the young freshmen teams their only loss by defeating them 47-42. After the heart breaking loss, freshmen coach, Ken Simon stated, "We had a ten point lead at one time, but I guess we realized who we were playing and got nervous."

Perhaps the biggest moral victory of the season was when the freshmen defeated O'Hara at O'Hara. The game wasn't an easy one as the Panthers downed the Celtics only by two points, 37-35.

Junior Varsity coach, Kelly Smith, stated, "We had a really good season." — Randy Oakley

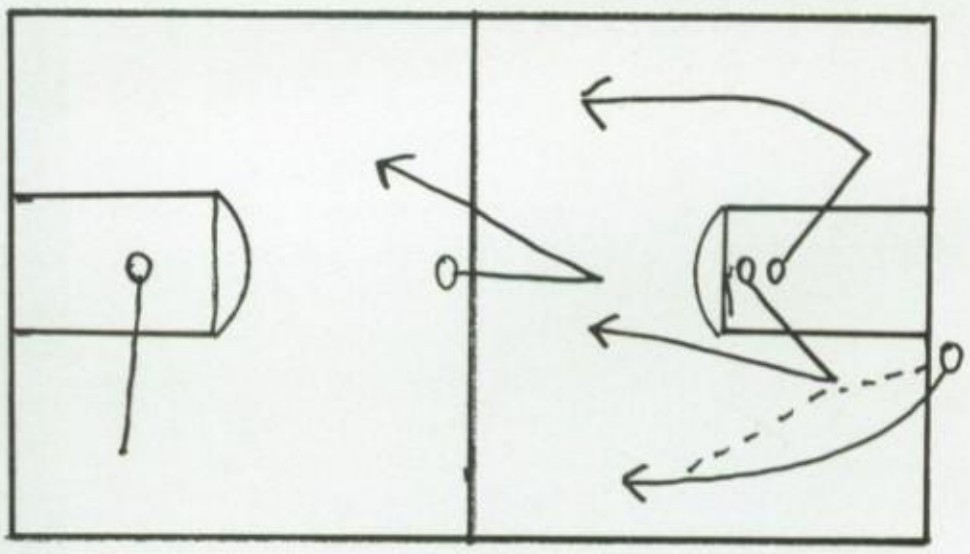
Mike Graves jumps in opening tip off.

Bill Harmon, Beaver Cotten, Darren Bearden, Derick Johntson, David Crabtree, Tommy Kruse, Jack Pickren, Tom Ruak, Todd Schock, manager Scott Smith, Coach Ken Simon.



Todd Livingston makes his moves under the basket against the Raiders of Pem Day.

Front row-Mark Wansing, Heath Kuykendall, Scott LaValle, Chris Luden, Curt Houcheon, Rick Watkins, Mark Files. 2nd row-Todd Livingston, Brad Sparks, Brain Woodfine, Darren Sarget, Darren Gibler, Gary Renshaw.



	R-P	J.V. Score Board	Opp
w	51	Odessa	45
w	49	Clinton	35
w	52	Kearney	45
w	53	Belton	35
w	60	Harrisonville	52
w	65	Grain Valley	57
w	69	St. Mary's	59
l	38	O'Hara	59
l	54	St. Mary's	59
w	54	Harrisonville	46
w	69	Warrensburg	60
l	51	Pem Day	67
w	64	St. Mary's	60
l	43	Nevada	45
w	55	Warrensburg	42
w	46	Pleasant Hill	25
l	53	O'Hara	62

overall J.V. record 12-5
overall Frosh record 15-1

Varsity wins District

The 1983 girls' basketball team's excellent season was highlighted by their victory over the Harrisonville Wildcats to capture the district title. The girls overall record was 14 wins and 11 losses.

During the season the coaching staff was altered. The team lost a well-liked coach, Cy Ritter. However, the season was not affected by the loss; the team went on stronger than ever as Larry Walton took over.

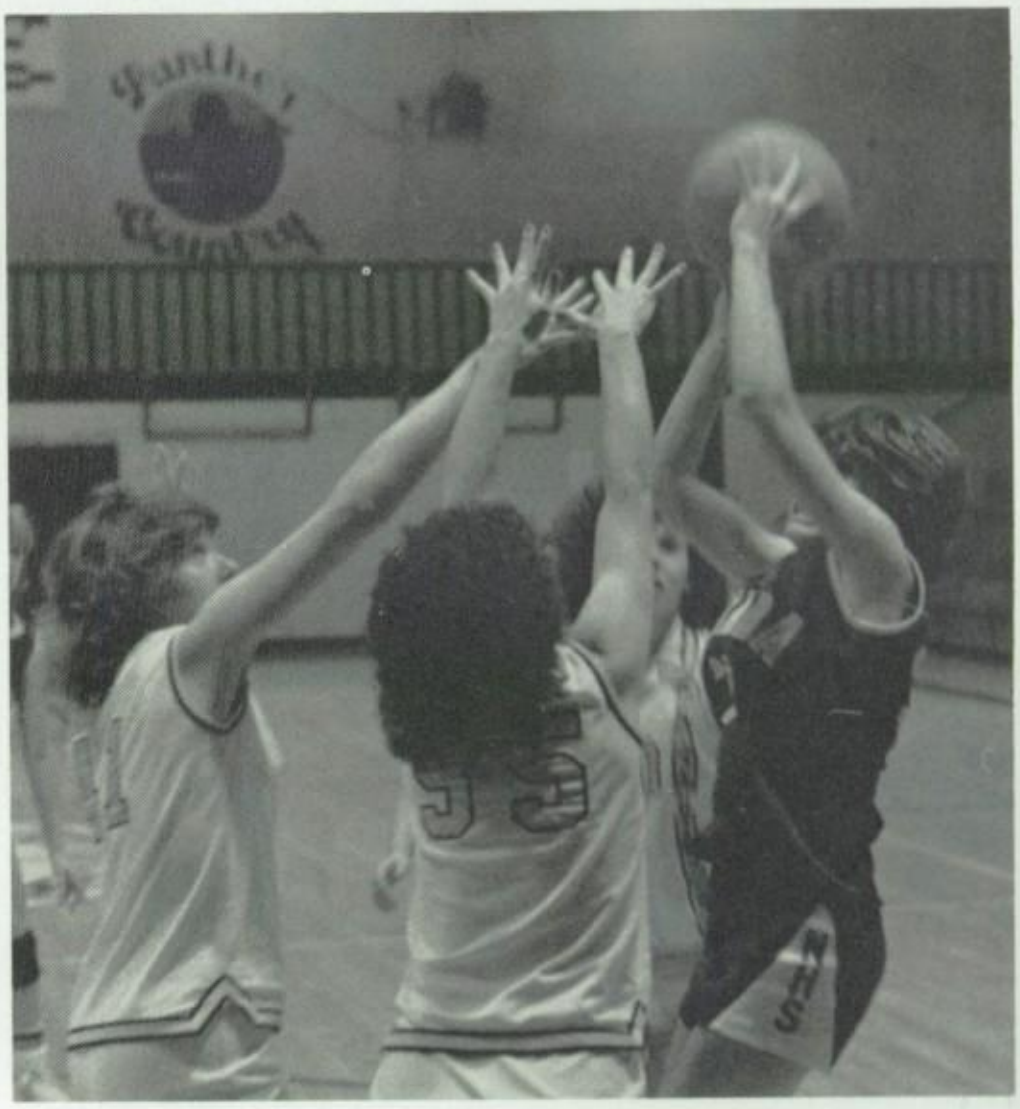
Conference honors were given this year to three members of the team. Deanna Reser and Heather Raw recieved first team all-conference, while Tina Steinke took honorable mention in conference.

In tournament play the Panthers received second in their own home tourney. The team also faired well at the Clinton tournament. The big victory for the Panthers was capturing the district title after defeating Harrisonville for the second time in the season. The team had not beaten Harrisonville since 1979. After district they went on to the first rounds of state where they were defeated by Boonesville in a close game.

Heather Raw stated, "The season was filled with surprises. We accomplished all we set out to." - Dana Calogne

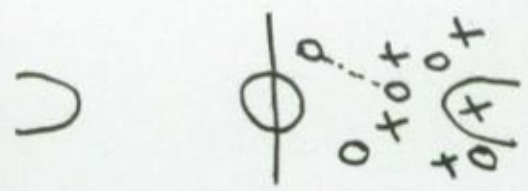
Senior Tina Steinke shoots for a lay-up during the district playoffs at home.

Junior Sarah Amerson passes the ball to Senior Heather Raw.



During district Nevada is well blocked by the panthers fighting defense.

The Varsity girls celebrate their victory after defeating Harrisonville to become the new district champs.



R.P.			OPP
W	56	Belton	52
L	45	St. Mary	67
L	35	O'Hara	52
L	27	Eldo. Springs	40
L	33	Nevada	47
W	54	Nevada	47
W	42	Harrisonville	39
L	66	O'Hara	46
W	48	Warrensburg	45
W	53	Pleasant Hill	32
L	31	Harrisonville	37
L	45	Clinton	50
W	52	Oak Grove	44
W	49	Harrisonville	47
W	43	Eldo. Springs	29
W	52	Ruskin	48
L	47	O'Hara	54

Varsity Players: Tina Steinke, Shannon McWilliams, Pam Plunkett, Deanna Reser, Heather Raw, Tammy Knight, Sarah Amerson, Lori Hendon, and Jeanette Harper

J.V. ups their record

This year's Junior Varsity team improved over their last year's record to 11 wins and 4 losses. They had a tough season playing teams such as O'Hara, Center, and St. Mary's.

Team captain, Kris Barnes, felt the team was very close, and even though Coach Ritter was the Varsity coach, they still felt a great loss when he left.

Coach Ernst, though, was still there to lead the team. In her second year of coaching at Ray-Pec, she once again helped the J.V. earn yet another successful season. Overall the team had fun, and it was a great learning experience.

-Shannon McWilliams

Kim Hunter blocks as Vici Hofmann gets ready to rebound.

Joyce Dean tries for a basket while Jeanette Harper looks on.

Mary Dean puts up a shot for two against the O'Hara Celtics.

Left to right: SaraBeth Webb, Becky Brown, Stephanie Ellis, Kim Hunter, Kris Barnes, Joyce Dean, Kristy Shollenberger, Mary Dean, Becky Violett, Vici Hofmann, Julie Slover, Tiffany Davenport.

Top row: l to r: Coach Clayton, Jena Murphy, Robin Rogers, Dana Sutcliffe, Stacey Ferguson, Melissa Serres, Sara Barnes, Brenda Johnson, Chris Lillig, Antoinette Comissano, Robyn Staats. Bottom row: l to r: Andrea Ammond, Angel Cada, Tracy Buck.

Frosh improves

The Freshmen Lady Panthers ended their season with a record of 6-8. Despite these losses, they had a very successful year.

Coach Clayton felt that after beginning the season with little basketball background, these young ladies worked hard to develop their skill and knowledge and improved a great deal.

By the end of the season they didn't even look like the same group who stepped on the court in November. There will be some good basketball played by these ladies in the future. Coach Clayton is proud of you.

Shannon McWilliams

Robin Rogers drives in for two, while Tracy Buck follows to help out.

#23, Melissa Serres goes for the ball as Jena Murphy breaks for a pass.

Jena Murphy jump-shots as O'Hara defenders watch.

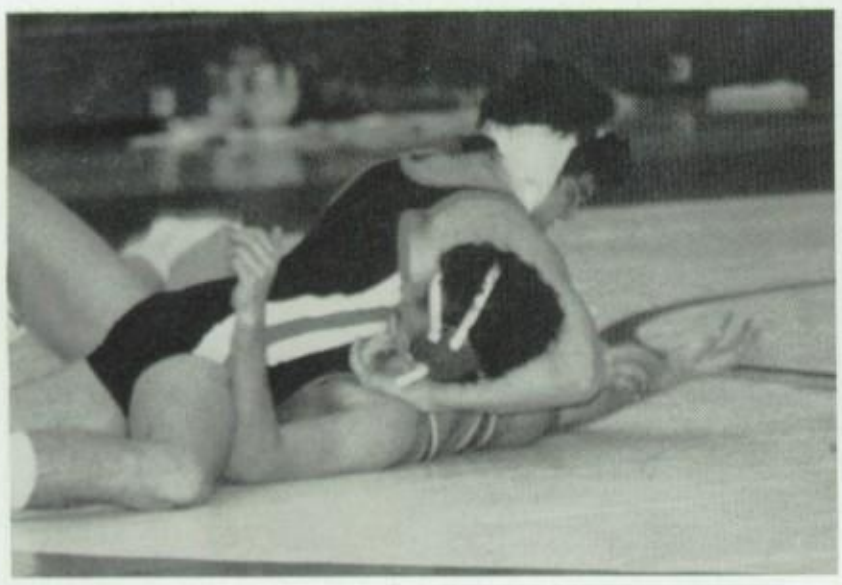
Russell Hammontree, Mike Wilson, Artie Shireman, Jeff Phelps, Paul Thomas, Pat Link, Stan Roach, Charlie Parrott, Alex Church, Brian Eads, Danny Mackedanz, Pat Beyers, John Miller, Brad Dearmont, Mark Holloway, Fred Birkett, Mark Hill, Pat Beaven, Jim Haston, Greg Plimmer, Chad Jones, Kenny Baum, Matt Ferrari, Shawn Jones, Rod Findley, Jeff Jones, Brian Dearmont, Jim Thomas, Tim Setzer, Sean Martin, Brad Quest, Todd Owens, Mark Kahl, Ron Lininger, Brian Smith, Roger Brattin, David Loney, Tom DeVille, Kevin Flowers, David Irvin

Two take it to State

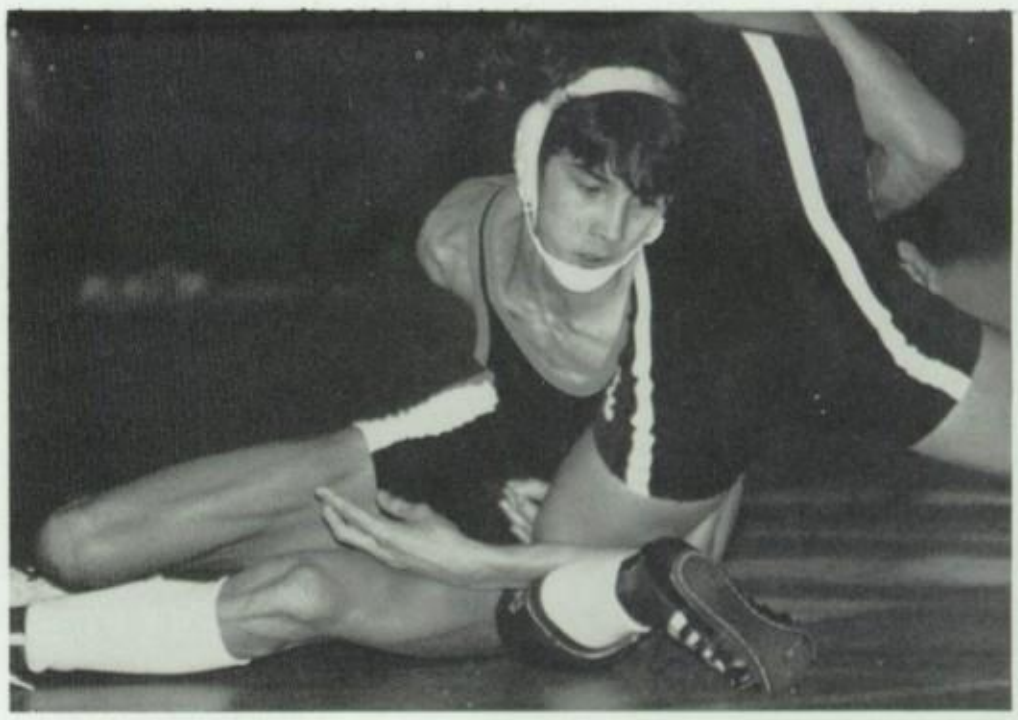
The 1982-83 Wrestling Panthers had a successful 8-2 season finishing 2nd in the conference. They also placed 2 wrestlers at the state tournament. Jim Thomas placed 5th finishing the season with a 27-5-1 record and tied in voting with David Loney for the most improved wrestler. Tom DeVille placed 3rd and finished the season with a team best 29-2 record. He also won awards for having the most pins (26) and was voted wrestler of the year. Rod Findley was voted Team Captain and won the take down award with 39.

Those voted for the All Conference Team were 1st: Mark Kahl at 112, Shawn Jones; 119, Danny Mackedanz; 126, Jeff Jones; 132, and Tom DeVille; heavyweight. Those placing 2nd were Jim Thomas at 98, Rod Findley; 145, and Roger Brattin at 185. Honorable mention went to Matt Ferrari at 138, and David Loney at 167. Those placing at District were David Loney 4th, Danny Mackedanz 3rd, Rod Findley 2nd, Roger Brattin 2nd, Jim Thomas 1st, and Tom DeVille 1st.

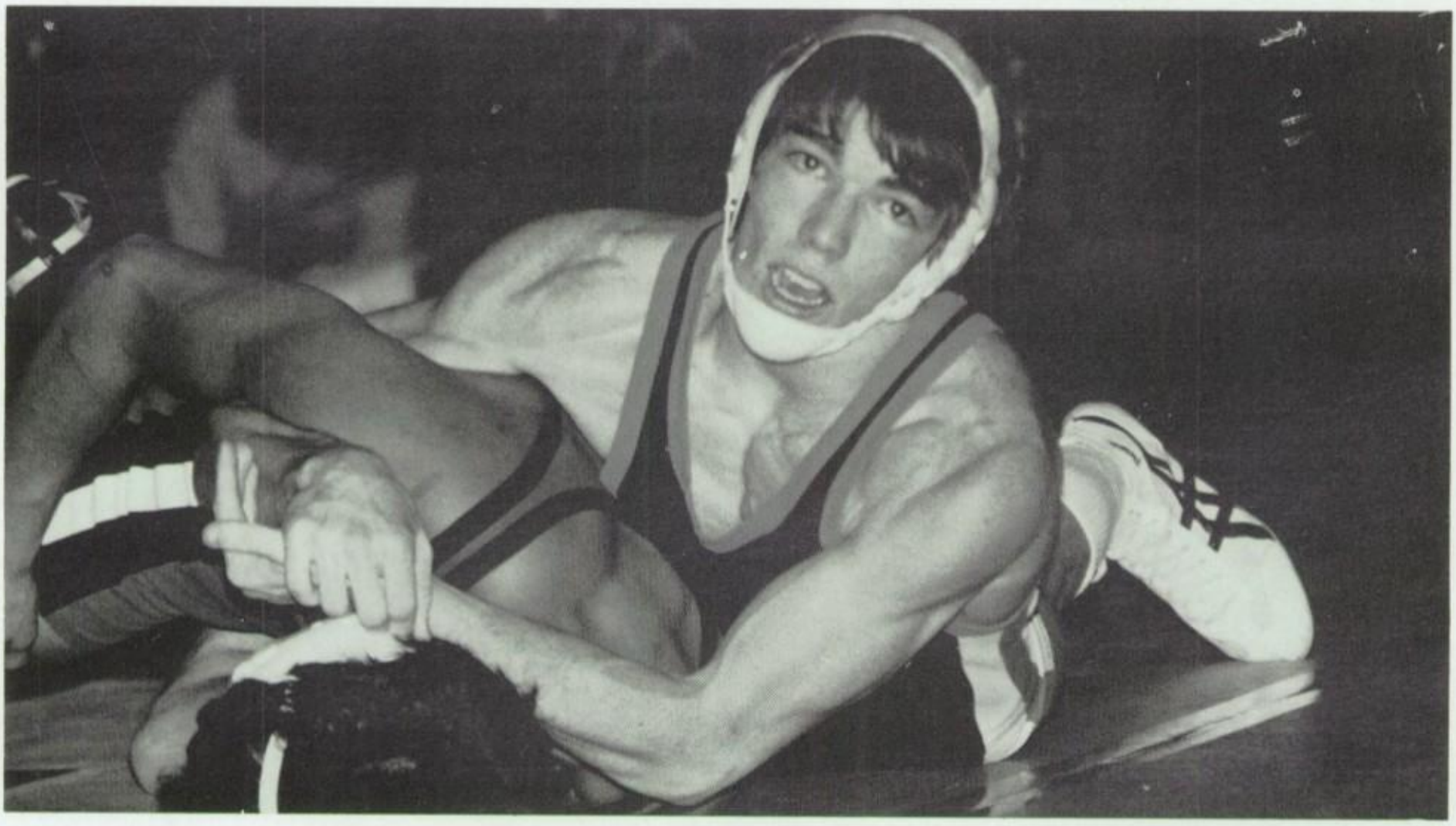
Senior Tom DeVille stated, "I thought we had a good season this year, but they will have a better one next year." -Stephanie Stroup



Senior David Loney attempts to pin his opponent from O'Hara.



Junior Jim Thomas takes his opponent down at the Pleasant Hill Tournament.

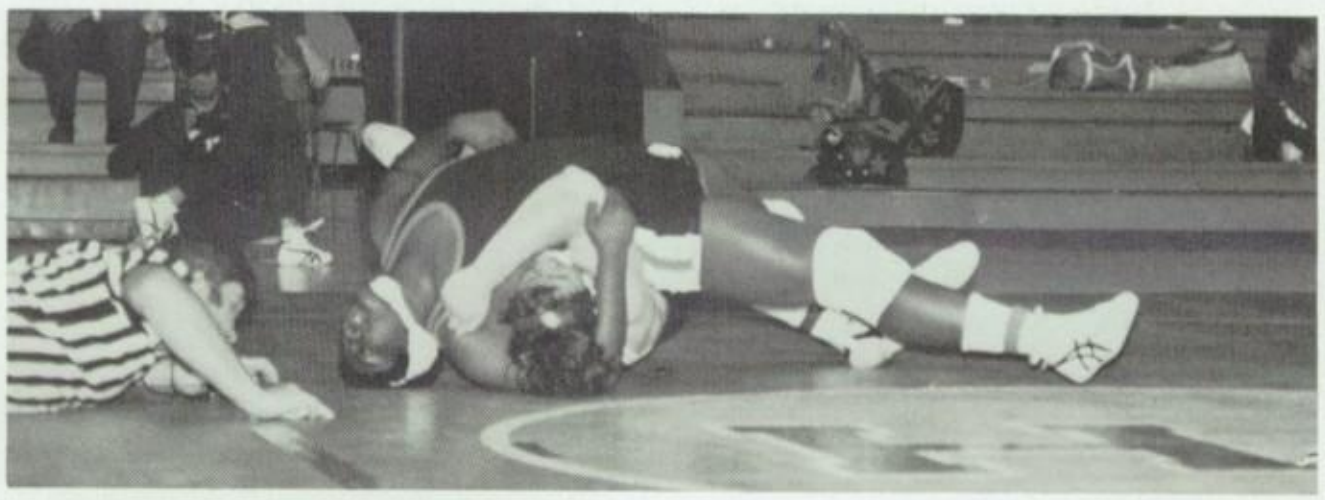


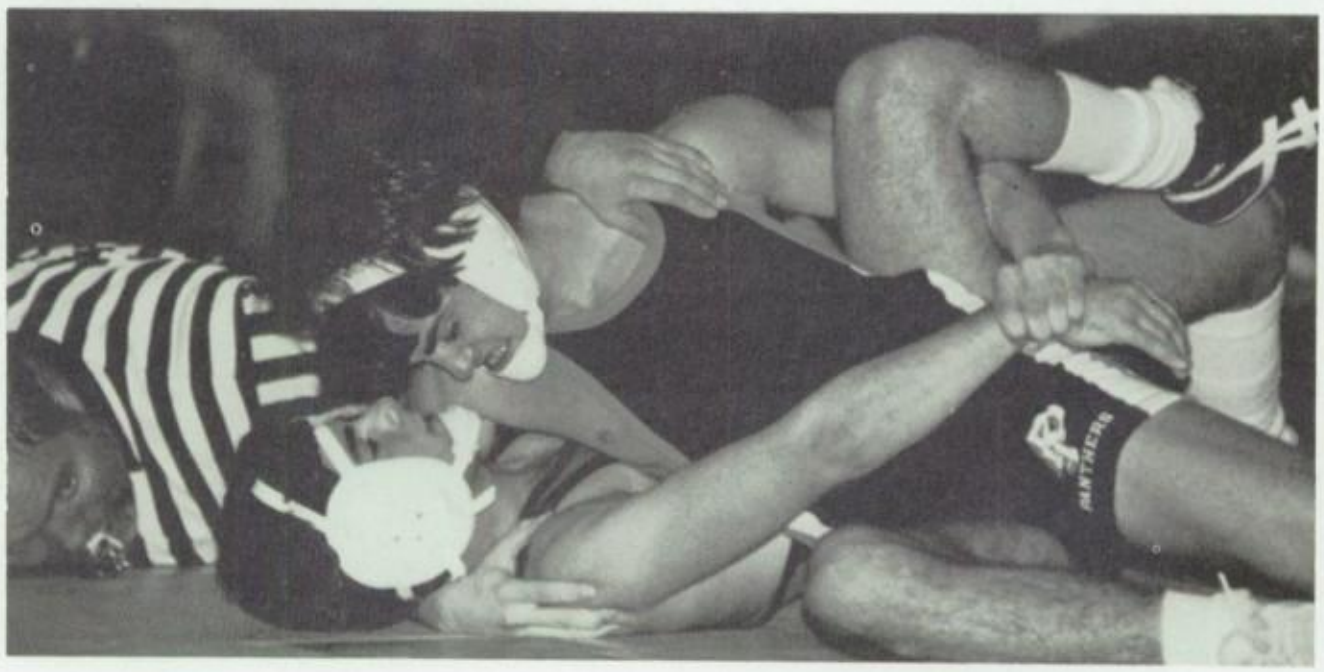
Junior Duane Brown struggles to pin his opponent at the Pleasant Hill Tournament. Duane broke his thumb causing his season to be cut short.

Team Scores			
R.P.	54	Clinton	13
R.P.	24	P-Hill	38
R.P.	58	Hickman Mills	17
R.P.	42	Oak Grove	20
R.P.	72	St Mary's	2
R.P.	55	Butler	10
R.P.	41	Nevada	20
R.P.	31	Warrensburg	30
R.P.	18	Harrisonville	35
R.P.	49	O'Hara	15

Junior Danny Mackedanz gains control over his man at the P-Hill Tournament.

Senior heavyweight Tommy Deville skillfully pins his opponent at the Pleasant Hill Tournament.





Wrestlers At Best Take 'em Down

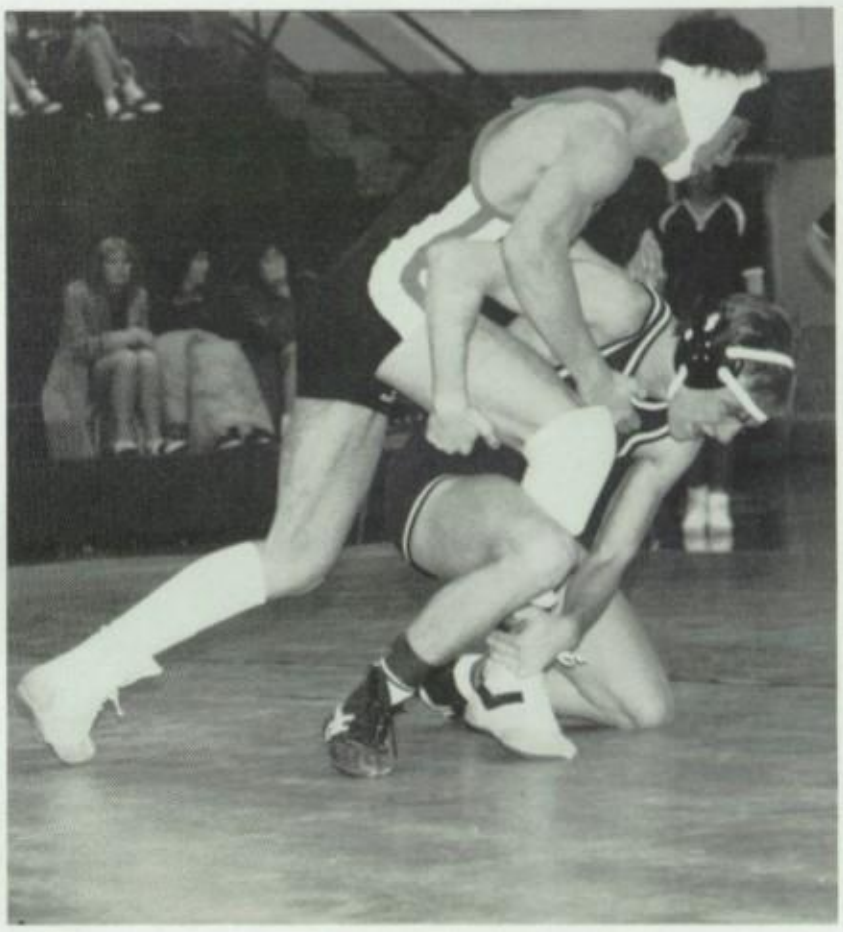
The 1982-83 wrestling Panthers are going to be losing two of their very good wrestlers this year. Tommy DeVille, one of our seniors this year, has been on the wrestling squad since his freshman year. David Loney has been on the squad since his sophomore year. They both have been two terrific wrestlers for the Ray-Pec squad.

Coach Barbarick stated "The season was a very successful one and also was very challenging for most of the wrestlers." He feels that next year will be another good and exciting year for all the wrestlers.

Tournaments this year for the Ray-Pec wrestling squad turned out to be very successful. The Ray-Pec squad placed 3rd at Pleasant Hill; 5th at Lee Summit; 1st at Smithville; 1st at Ray-Pec; 2nd at O'Hara; 5th at District; and 12th at State. Over all, the wrestlers had a very good season and were happy about the results.

All the wrestlers are looking forward to another good year next year. Roger Brattin stated "Next year will be a very good year." -Debbie Speer

Ron Lininger grabbing his opponent and taking him down fast.

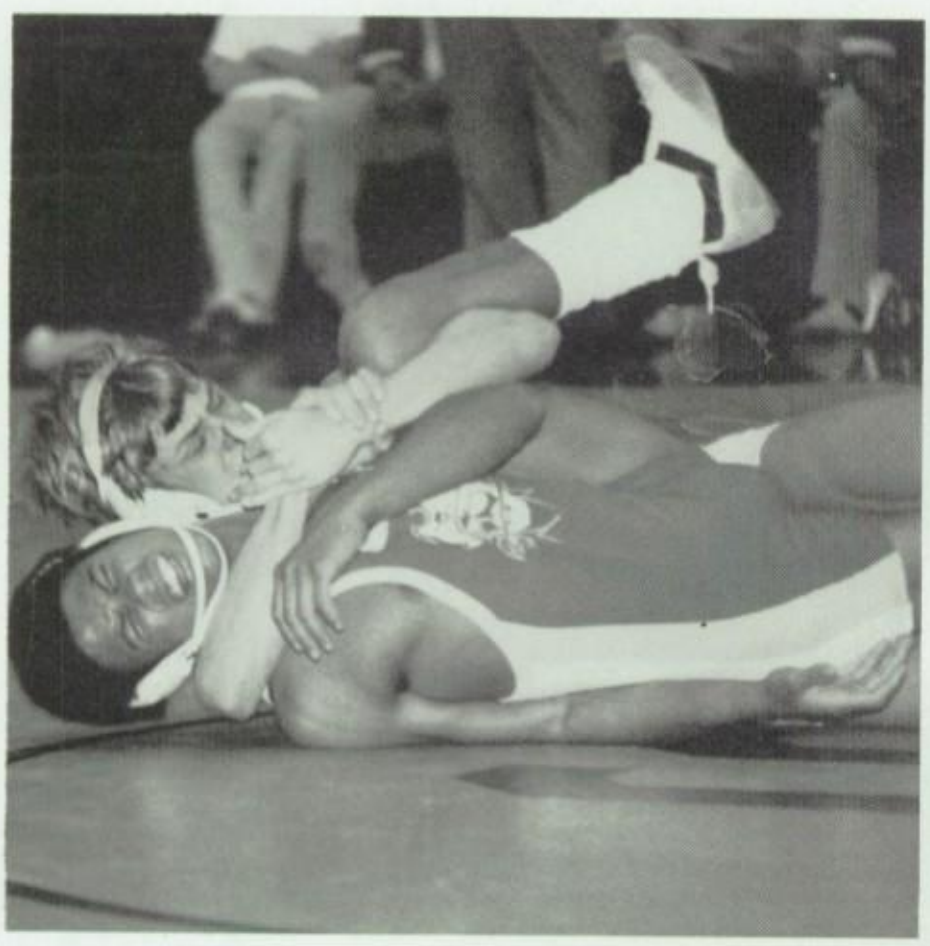


Jeff Jones almost has his opponent for a pin.

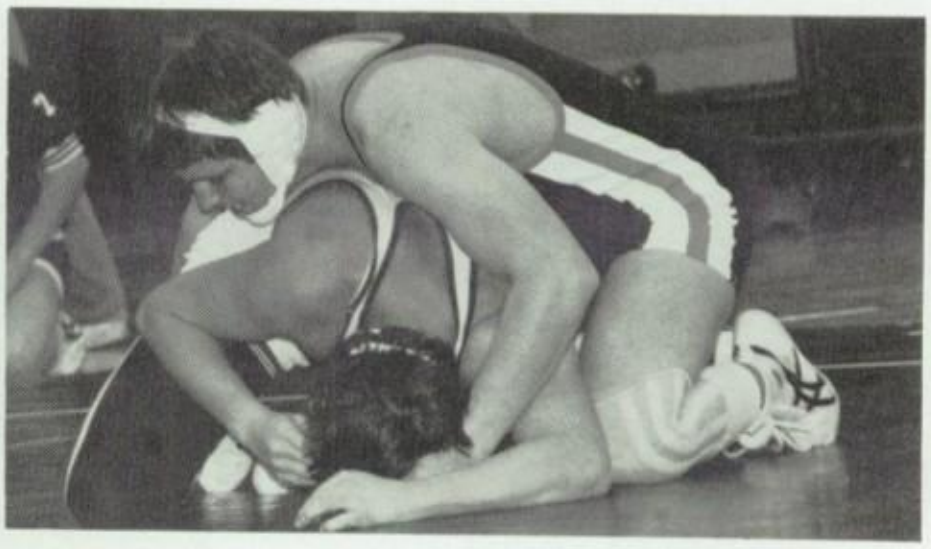
Mark Kahl tries hard to turn his opponent over for a pin.

Shawn Jones giving it everything and putting his man through pain.

Tommy DeVille wrestling in the Heavy weight division at sub state.



Brian Smith in one of many positions that wrestlers are in.



Roger Brattin grits his teeth as he tries hard to pin his man.

Baseball continues winning ways

Take first at district

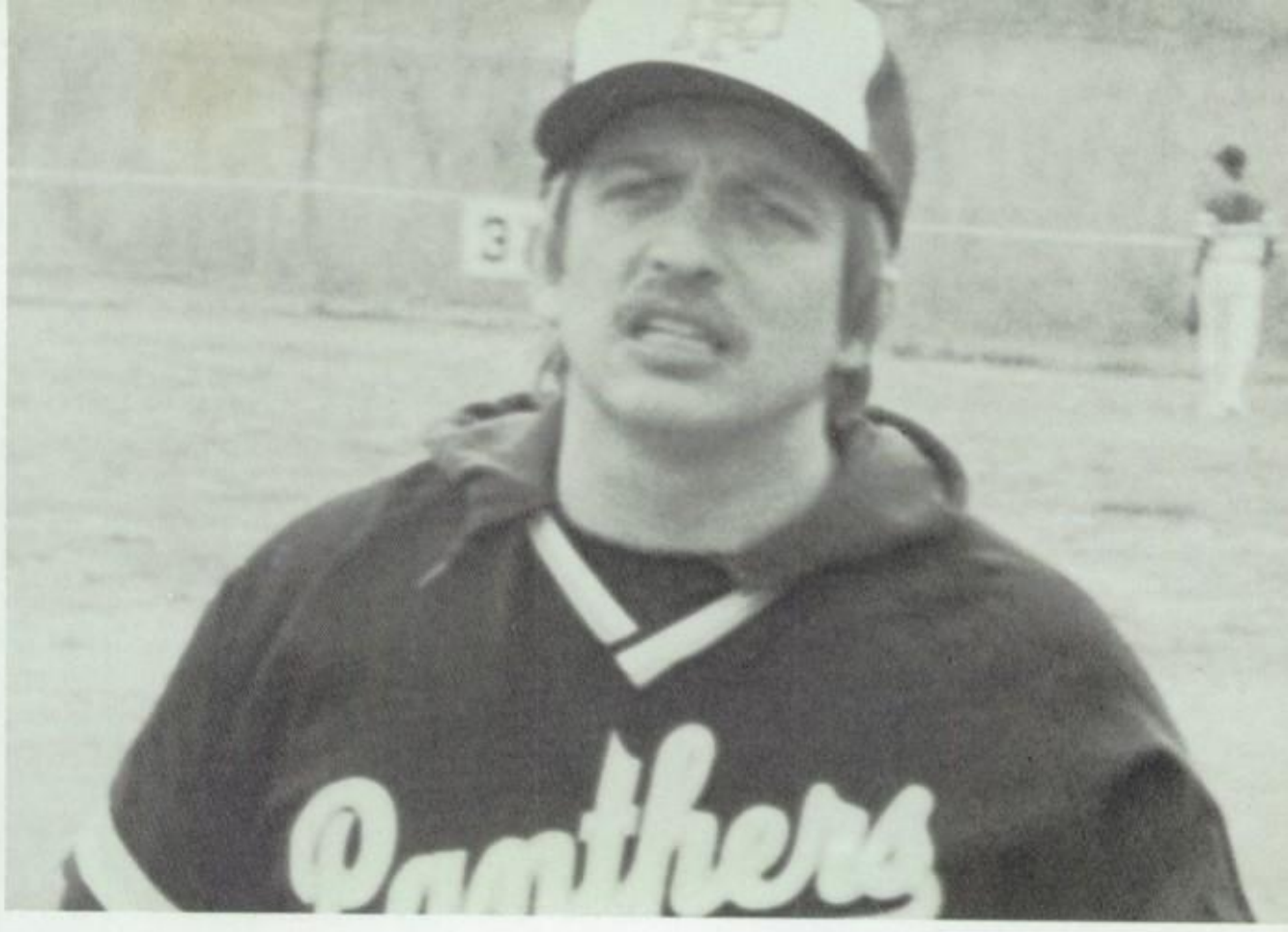
Because of a rainy spring and muddy fields the baseball team had a slow start. The players awaited a dry field and finally received one for their season opener against Ft. Osage, where the Panthers won 3 to 1. The varsity team had trouble hitting as a team in the beginning of the year, but formed a powerhouse towards the end of the year and entering the district tournament. The team had no one individual who stood out to be the best. The varsity team ended their regular season with an impressive 11 wins and 2 losses. The varsity team had seven seniors on the starting roster, so the underclassmen must keep up the winning ways. After winning District the Panthers will go on to sectionals and if they win there they will go to state. This year the team is playing one game at a time and keeping their heads on straight.

-Craig Lafferty

Varsity Baseball Team: Front left; Coach Joe Hunter, Jeff Ganaden, Curt Houchen, Gary Renshaw, Mike McKenzie, Randy Jones, Ed Fleming, Clint Harkrader. Back left; Kevin Christy, Brian Woodfine, Darren Geibler, Kevin Bearden, Mitch Meiron, Mike Raisbeck, Craig Lafferty, Jim Green, Steve Roach, Coach Jeff Davis.

Craig Lafferty connects for a single against Ft. Osage where the Panthers won 3 to 1.

Mike Raisbeck delivers the pitch against Ft. Osage to win the season opener.

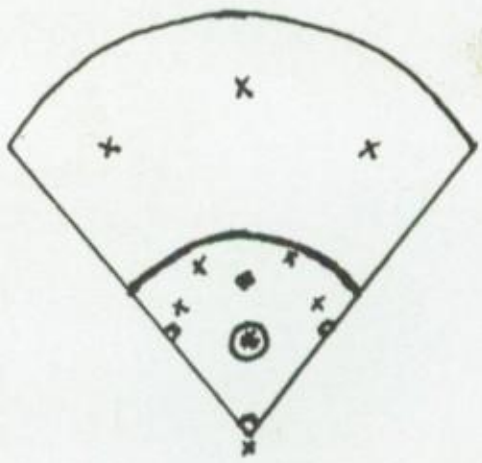


In his usually calm and collected way, Coach Davis asks for an explanation on the last play called by the umpire.

Mike McKenzie digs a ball out of the ground and tags the runner out on a steal attempt by an Englewood Christian player.

Varsity Baseball Scoreboard

R-P		Opp.
3	Ft. Osage	1
3	Clinton	2
3	Platte County	0
4	Southeast	2
4	Kearney	2
3	Englewood Christ.	1
4	Pem-Day	5
8	Pem-Day	6
5	Belton	14
6	Holden	1
15	Holden	4
23	East	8
10	Belton	6



Future players look promising

This year was an experimental one for the Junior Varsity squad. The first couple of games were spent switching positions and players, just to get a feel of who could do what and where they could do it.

The balance of the J.V. team were mostly freshmen; the rest of the team consisted of sophomores. There were no juniors on the team, but the teams they played had juniors, so their season was tough.

Their main loss was to Belton, ending up 17-4. But they came back strong and beat them the next time around.

Coach Davis had nothing but positive feelings for his team, and he thought that they had a remarkable season, even though they were so young.

The start of the J.V. season was a slow one due to the weather. Only two rain-outs were made-up, and David Crabtree felt that more games should have been made-up, but that the season went pretty well anyway.

When asked if he thought their future looked promising, Stan Roach said, "We'll do real well because we have talent. I don't think we're hurting in any positions either."

The overall Junior Varsity record was 5-3, but Coach Davis felt it could have been 7-1. But that lies in the need to experiment.

So, despite their inexperience, the next few years of baseball at Ray-Pec do look extremely good.

-Craig Lafferty & Shannon McWilliams

Scoreboard

R-P		*Opp.*
3	Pem-Day	4
4	Belton	17
13	Ft. Osage	2
8	Kearney	4
8	K.C. East	2
4	Belton	2
5	Hickman Mills	8
10	Hickman Mills	5

David Crabtree receives the baseball to tag an East player retrieving to third base.

Eric Kleinsorge delivers the pitch against East where the young Panthers won 8 to 2.

Holding on the runner at first, Wayne Thomason awaits the next pitch by the pitcher.

J.V. Baseball team: Back left; Brad Thompson, Darren Sargent, Wayne Thomason, Eric Kleinsorge, Mike Zaccagnini, Tom Kruse, Shawn Crabtree. Middle left; David Crabtree, Jack Pickering, Chris Brugge, Brad Blackwell, Stan Roach, Bill Harmon, Darren Bearden, Jim Haston. Front; Paul Fleming.

Tradition is carried on

The Ray-Pec Girl's Track Team continued a tradition of success this year in spite of having to overcome the difficulties of practice and competition in cold, wet weather. After beating ten teams to win the Warrensburg Relays in their first meet of the season, the ladies ran in two dual meets against Harrisonville and Warrensburg. They continued competition by placing seventh out of fifteen teams at the Kearney Invitational and sixth out of fifteen teams at the Mule Relays. The Panthers only managed fourth at Conference, but District proved how tough that Conference was when the top four teams out of fourteen were all conference schools, including the fourth place Panthers. The regular season was wrapped up with a third place finish at the Harrisonville Invitational, missing second by two points.

Some outstanding performances throughout the season included seven first place finishes by the conference and district champion 400 meter relay team. Members of this team were Dana Calonge, Val Murray, Lori Hendon, and Sarah Amerson. The 800 meter relay team of Dana Calonge, Jeanette Harper, Lori Hendon, and Sarah Amerson also won conference and district championships and placed first five times. Individually, Amerson placed first in long jump at Mule Relays with a jump of 17'1¼". Martina Vogel won the 800 meter run at Harrisonville and finished second at Conference in 2:33.05.

Valerie Murray and Lori Hendon stretch out and prepare for their race.

Kim Rains finishes the race after running 880 in the two mile relay.

Front Row: Diana Reed, Julie Ferguson, Becky Chaves, Stephanie Stroup, Christy York, Amy Whitaker, Kristan Ament, Valerie Murray, Genie Strader, Cynthia Ward. Second Row: Coach Fitzpatrick, Diana Greene, Becky Brown, Janelle Brewster, Brenda Johnson, Julie Slover, Mary Dean, Heather Raw, Martina Vogel, Sara Barnes, Kerry Powell, Becky Violett, Joyce Dean, Kerry Sims, Tammy Brodrick, Coach Clayton. Top Row: Dana Calonge, Chris Lillig, Melisa Richter, Jeanette Harper, Kim Rains, Lori Hendon, Sarah Amerson.

Jeanette Harper takes off at the sound of the gun to begin the mile relay.

Stephanie Stroup and Becky Violett kick it in at the end of the mile.

Kirsty Stewart concentrates as she throws the shot.

The successful 440 relay displays their ability as Lori Hendon hands the baton to anchor, Sarah Amerson.

Dana works hard to win her heat in the 100 dash semifinals at Harrisonville.

Brent's face shows pain as he runs the 3,200 meter relay.

On the road to state.

Ending a successful track season the boys and the girls had many qualifying for the state track meet. The sectional meet held at Raytown-South brought a total of eleven athletes on their way to Jefferson City.

Qualifying for state this year on the boys team were the 3,200 meter relay team consisting of Frank Dunnington, Brad Sparks, Brent York, and Rick Rogers. Rusty Collins qualified in the 3,200 meter run at Raytown-South.

The girls going were the 400 meter relay of Dana Calonge, Val Murray, Lori Hendon, Sarah Amerson. The 800 relay of Calonge, Jeanette Harper, Hendon, and Amerson. Becky Brown qualified for state in the triple jump.

The team traveled to Jefferson City on May 20 to compete against the top sixteen teams in the state.

Rusty has no problem keeping the lead with ease in the 3,200 meter run.

The state bound girls track team were Val Murray, Jeanette Harper, Lori Hendon, Sarah Amerson, and Dana Calonge.

Two records broken

Rain and cold weather made practice and meets difficult this year. Despite the poor weather two school records were broken. Sophomore Russ Miller broke the twenty-two year-old record set by Robert Dick in 1961 with a throw of 147'10". Junior Rusty Collins broke the 3200 meter (2 mile) record set in 1980 running a time of 9:50.9.

In the West Central Conference meet R-P tied with St. Mary's for the second place plaque scoring 46 points. Conference winners were; Rusty Collins in the 3200 meter run. Rick McCauley took second place in the shot event with a throw of 46 feet 2 inches. Glenn Sanford also brought back a second place in the pole vault jumping 12'6". Rusty also placed second in the mile run with a time of 4:37. Russ Miller also placed second in the disc.

Mark Files, a member of the track team commented, "We have a really tough conference and district. Probably the toughest in the state. For many this was a disappointing season but also a rebuilding one. The distance team carried the team throughout the season and really had some good performances."

Scott Willis clears the bar in the finals at the Conference meet.

Front row-Ricky Collins, Brent York, Alan Brewster, Glenn Sanford, Brad Sparks, Rick McCauley, Don Carter, Rick Rogers, Bobby Mott, Brian Bremmer, Rick DeLucca, Russ Miller, Scott Eddleman. Second row-Randy Oakley, Scott York, Dan Ferrel, Rusty Collins, Curt Davis, Mark Files, Frank Dunnington, Jeff Porter, Joseph Colonge, Arlen Gregg, Otto Hass, Scott Willis. Third Row-John Lucas, Chris DeLucca, David Simpson, Rick Justis, Fred Slatter, Scott Smith, Pat Beaven, Jeff Scholtens, Rick Wegley, David Cobb.

(Left to Right) Head track coach, Larry Walton, sprinters coach, Bill Lenz, and distance coach Al Klein.

Jeff Porter (left) and Bobby Mott compete in the high hurdles in a dual meet against the Harrisonville Wildcats.

ophomore Scott Eddleman releases the shot put at
he West Central Conference meet held at
Warrensburg.

Senior Rick Rogers receives the handoff from Sophomore Jeff Porter in the mile relay at the district track meet.

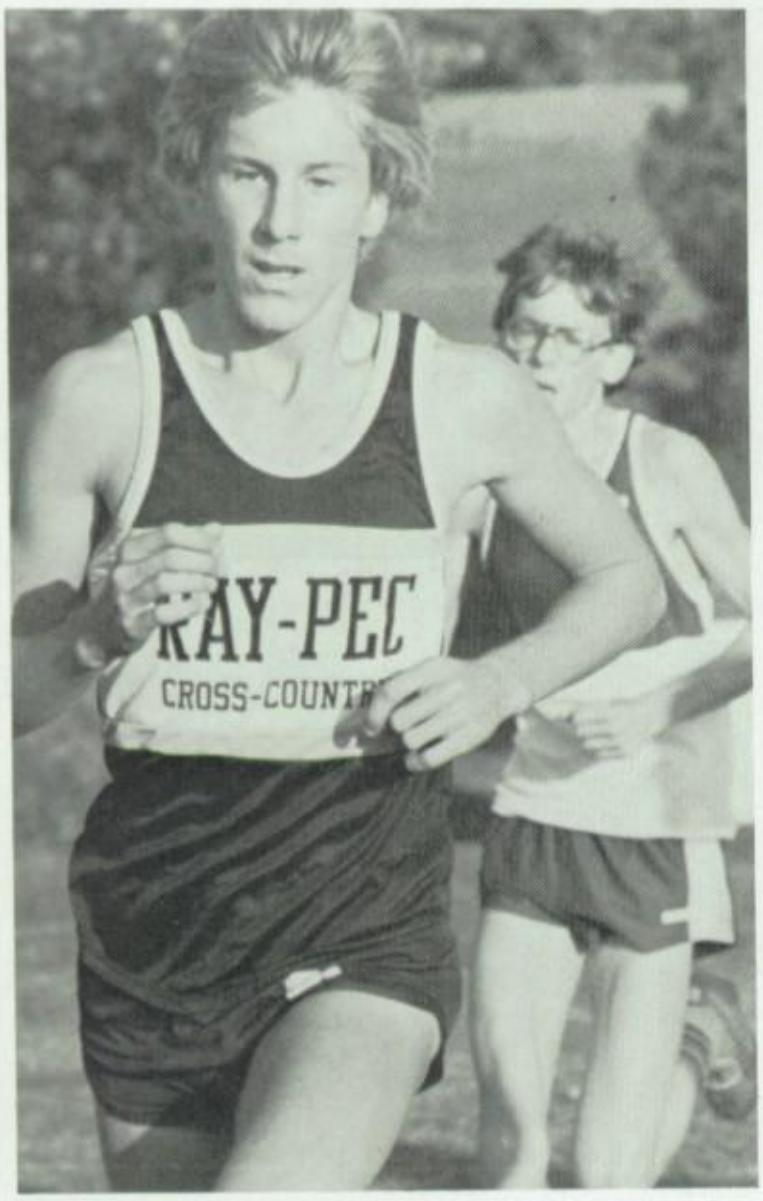
Athletes picked as best

Out of all the sports this year, there were best athletes chosen, boys and girls. The coaches of each sport helped to select these athletes. "It was very hard to select just one athlete," stated Coach Fitzpatrick, so many coaches had to go with two or even three athletes. A remark many of the coaches made was that everyone on the team did a great job, therefore making it tougher to choose than expected. For the baseball team Steve Roach, Mitch Meiron and Kevin Bearden were the three picked. We were unable to get pictures of them. Everyone in a sport has talent, but the ones who push that talent, deserve to be recognized, so this is their page.

The best athlete for football is senior, Mark Roach.

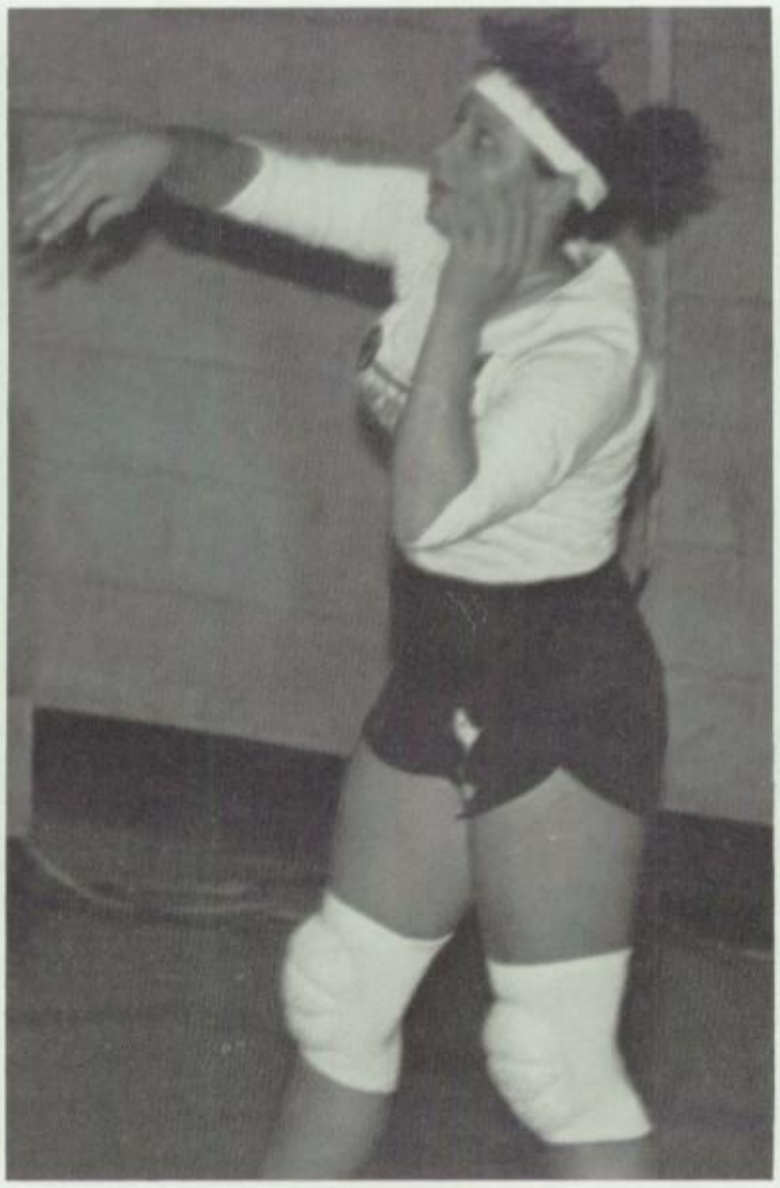
Senior Mitch Meiron for boys basketball.

Junior Rusty Collins for boys track.

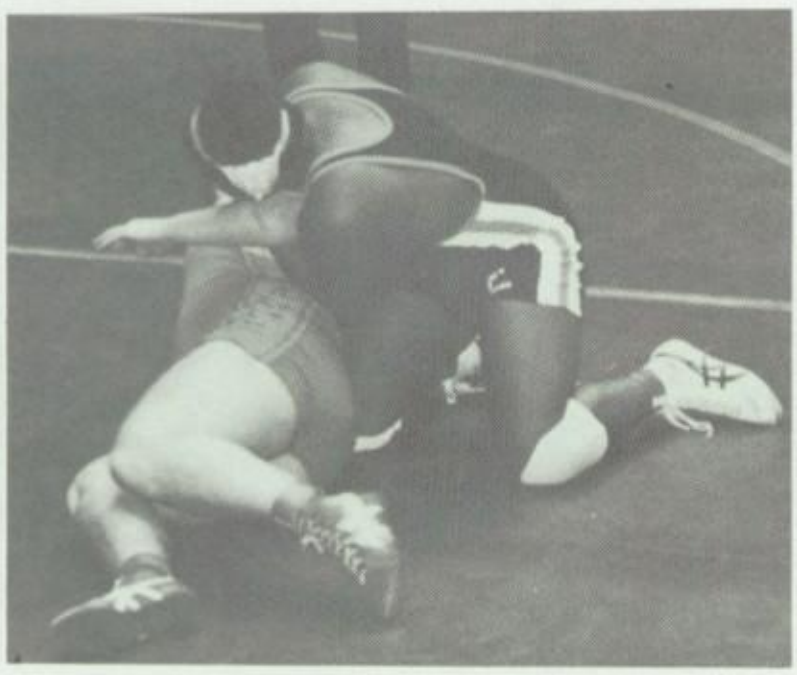


Senior Craig Lafferty, chosen for boys cross country.

Freshman Amy Whitaker, chosen for girls cross country.



Heather Raw, Tina Steinke, and Tammy Knight were the three chosen for best athletes in volleyball.



Senior Tommy DeVille for the wrestler as best athlete.

Senior Deanna Reser chosen for girls basketball.

Sara Amerson and Dana Calonge for girls track.

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with our memories

As the year came to an end, one could look back on 82-83 and see many accomplishments as well as many memories.

This year began with a resurfaced parking lot, a new sports complex, and a new enrollment procedure. Soon after, R-P proved it's athletic abilities by taking third at state in both Cross Country and Volleyball. The fall play was also a success. These glories were slightly dimmed however, by the death of the school dog, Rover.

As the year progressed, sports again proved their potentials with two wrestlers placing at state, and the baseball and girls' basketball teams becoming district champs. In addition, clubs kept up R-P's winning tradition, and all did well at contests.

Prom brought the addition of a prom king and queen, and a new location at John Knox Pavillion.

As graduation neared, the seniors got senioritis, one began to realize that all the hard work put into a year's worth of achievements was nearly over. For underclass there is always next year. For seniors, however, it's at an end. Because of the seniors being friends as well as leaders to the underclass, this year will be greatly missed.

-Konia Meyer

After the tug of war for the Lions Club, a few seniors and juniors head for the carwash for a rinse.

m Thomas has just defeated his opponent at state wrestling
hampionships.

raig Lafferty shows off cheerleading techniques during a pep
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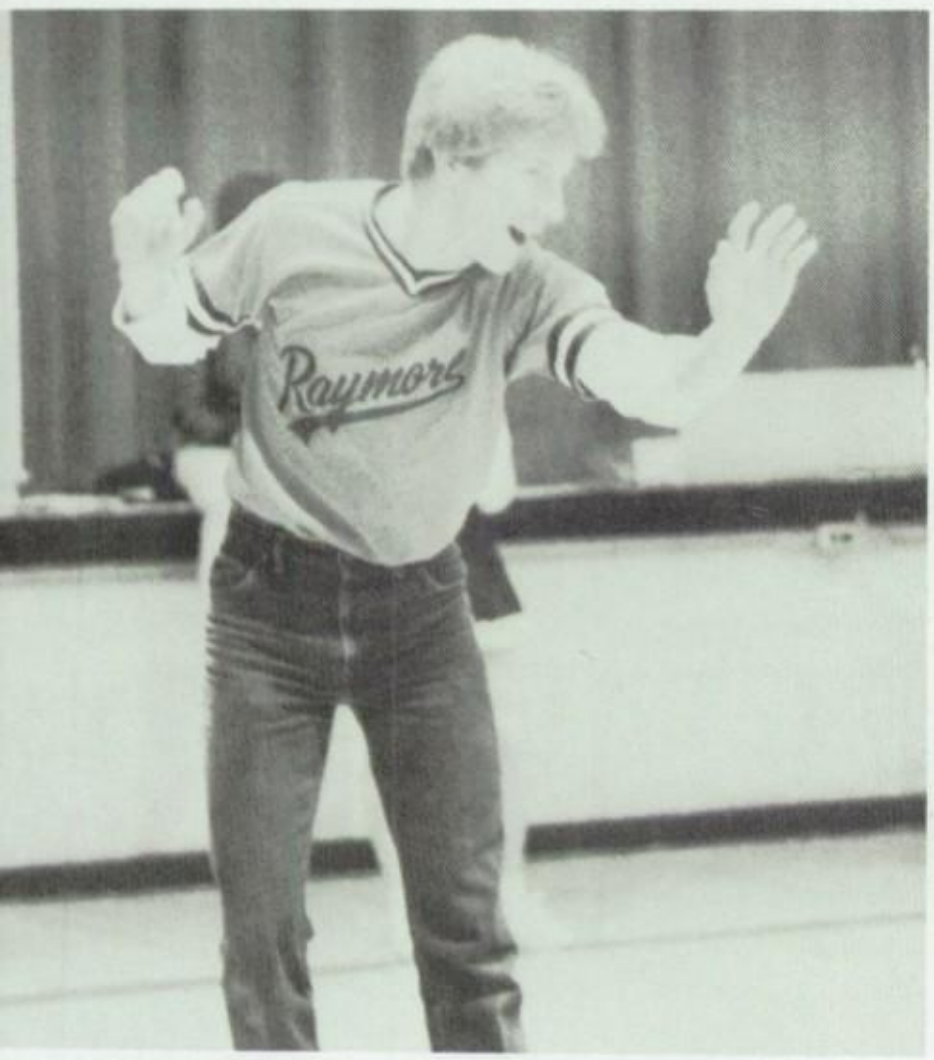
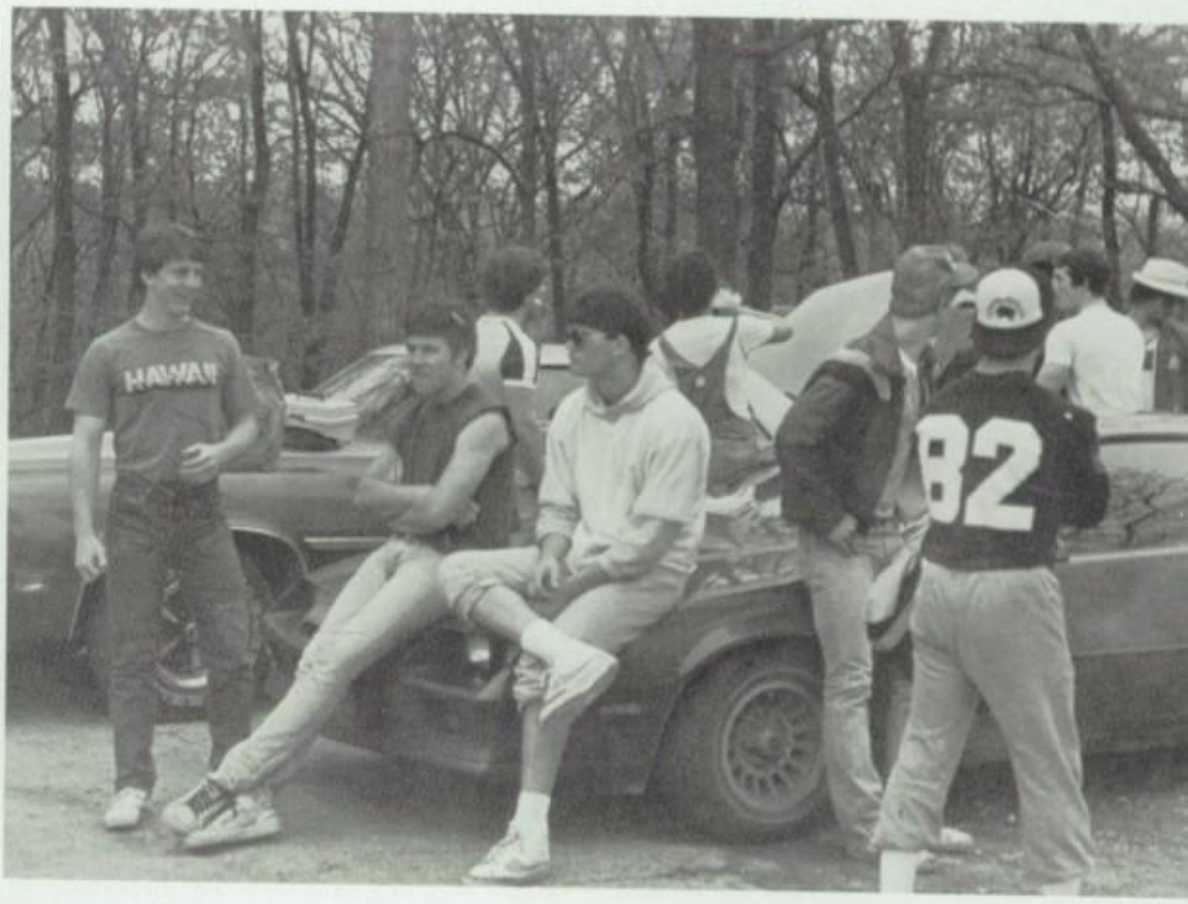
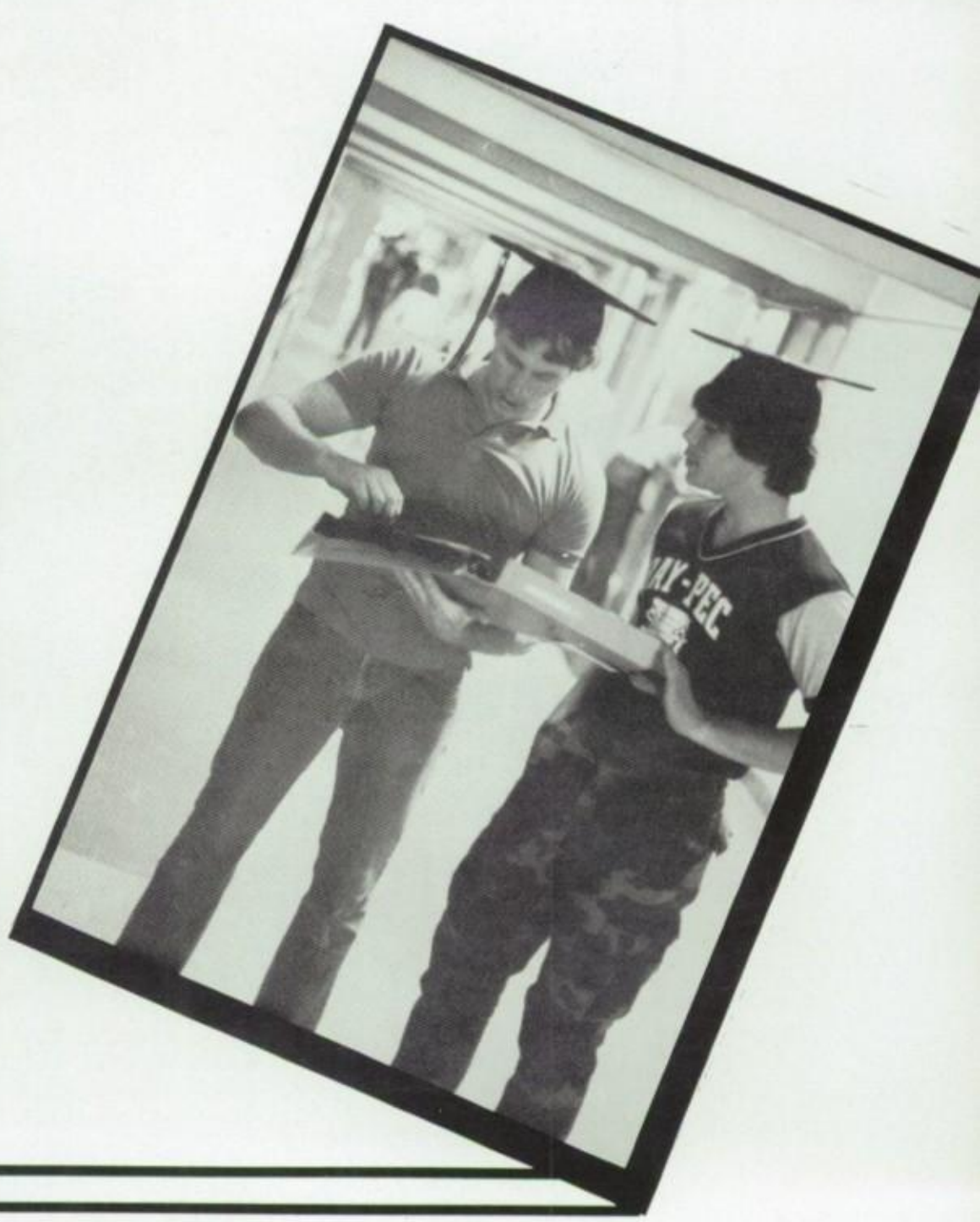




Gordie Light, David Loney, Mike Watts and other seniors mellow out on skip day.

It's cap and gown day for the seniors! Steve Tompkins and Glenn Sanford are trying theirs on for size.



After finishing the book, the yearbook staff celebrates with a party.

Afterword

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All copy was done in Avante Guarde. Headlines were set in 18, 36, and 60 pt. Body copy was 10 pt. and caption copy was 8 pt. One flat of full process color was used, and one flat of spot color in the opening section.

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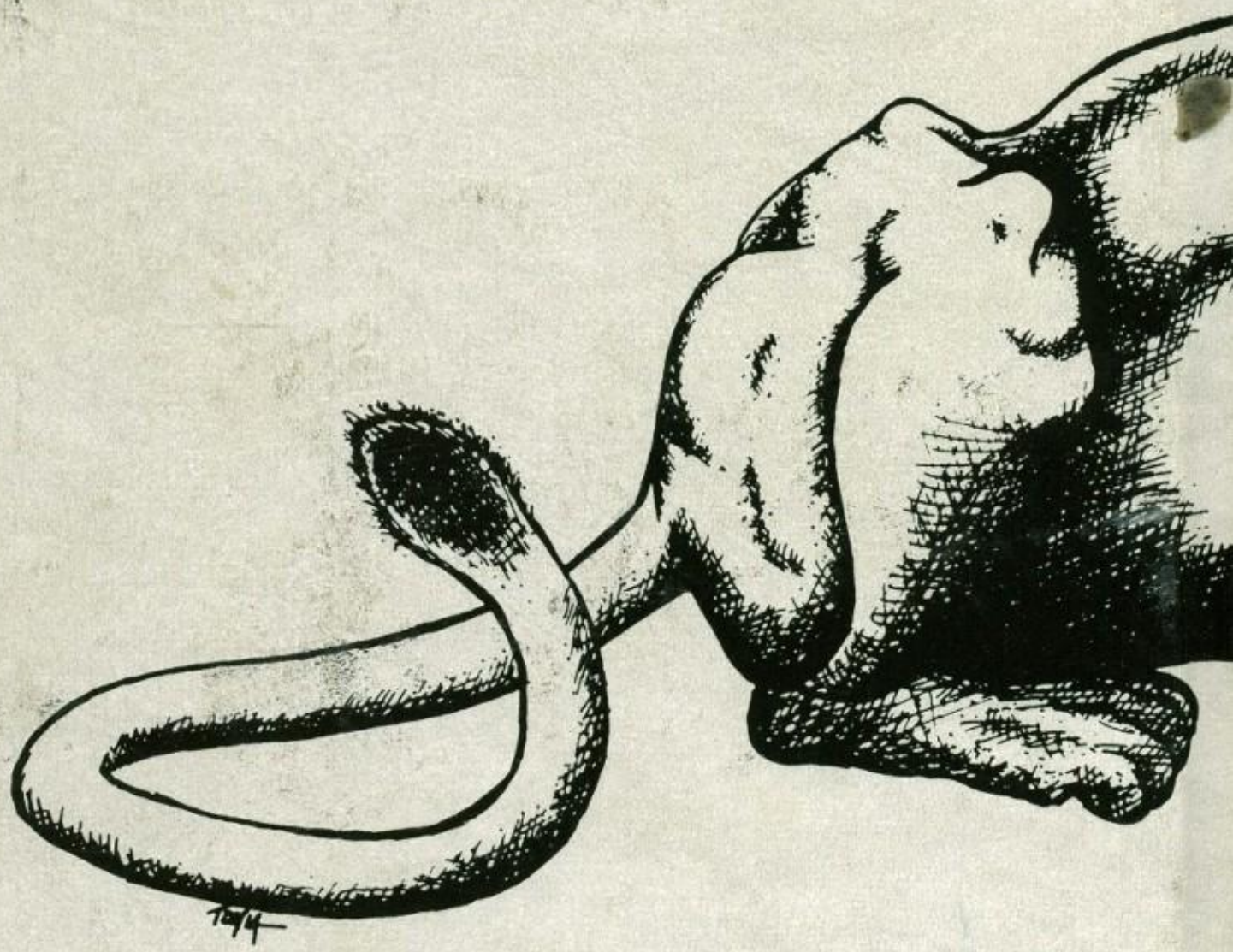
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